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Niedringhaus School students lend a hand

Homeless shelter receives donations

By Mike Heil
Staff writer

Kindergarten students from Niedringhaus Elementary School recently lent a helping hand to the Good Samaritan House in Granite City by donating money they earned from behavioral incentive programs.

GRANITE CITY The youngsters gave \$10 of \$25 they earned during the months of December and January. This was the second consecutive year that Debra Harris' kindergarten class had donated money to the shelter.

Christy Pursell, executive director of the Good Samaritan House, came to the school Friday afternoon to show her appreciation.

"The children spoke from their hearts," she said. "They could have spent their money somewhere else."

Pursell spoke to the children for about 45 minutes during a question-and-answer session in which she talked about the shelter and what it was like to live there. Pursell told the youngsters that it houses women and children whose mothers have "lost their homes or jobs."

Pursell added that the women bring their families to the shelter because they have "no place to go or no one to care for them."

Donations are made to the shelter, Pursell said, so staff and volunteers can buy food, clothing and resources for the homeless.

At one point, Pursell asked the children if they would like to play a game in which they could leave their pretend houses by their desks and come to the front of the classroom with an item from it.

Most dived like sprinters in front of Pursell, eager to tell

her what they had brought, such as a toy.

Pursell said that at the shelter, children could bring only one item, just as they had. The children responded by telling her that that made them "sad."

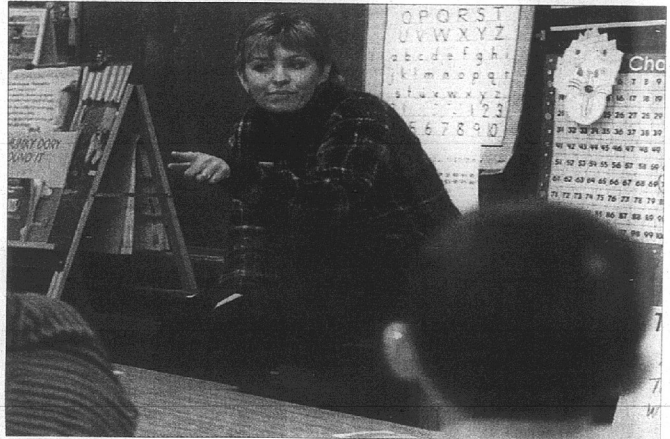
Pursell went on to say that the money they donated was used to buy pencils, clothing and other needs.

Olivia Foster, 6, was one of many children who told Pursell that she would like to give the homeless children videotapes and books, as well.

Pursell ended the discussion by telling the youngsters that they were "very special" and asked if they would continue to support the shelter by sending cards and letters to the homeless children.

Some students giggled and many raised their hands to say

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Tim Stephenson photo

How shelter works

Christy Pursell, the director of Granite City's Good Samaritan House, chats with students at Niedringhaus Elementary School about the shelter's operations and reasons for existence. Students at the Granite City grade school donated incentive money to the shelter to help those the home assists.

Granite City mother arrested on child endangerment charges

Three children found living in squalid, filthy conditions on Washington; house had been cited

By Mike Heil
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY A 32-year-old Granite

City woman was arrested Friday afternoon and charged with three counts of child neglect and three counts of endangering the health of a child after her children were

found living in filthy conditions.

The house in which the woman and her children were living is also currently under investigation by the Granite

City Zoning and Building Department.

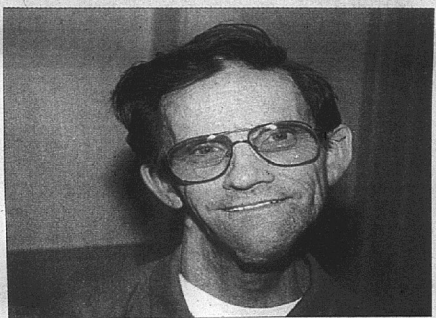
The woman arrested was Tina Marie Carlyle, of the 2400 block of Washington Avenue. Her children, ages 5, 10 and 13,

were turned over Friday to the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services.

According to Granite City police, an officer arrived at the house to perform an

inspection and knocked on the front door, but there was no answer.

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Robert Selliers of Granite City has that Illinois Lottery winning look.

Local man appears on state lottery game show

Selliers comes away with \$3,500 in winnings from Chicago trip

By Mike Heil
Staff writer

Robert Selliers now has a healthier bank account, but not one healthy enough so that he can retire from Maintenance Unlimited or Janet King Janitorial Services.

GRANITE CITY Selliers, 51, a Granite City resident the past 25 years, won \$3,000 in January as a contestant on "Illinois' Luckiest Game Show." Add \$500 to his winnings for being selected, and Robert came home \$3,500 richer.

"I didn't think I had a chance to win a darn thing," Robert said. "It's a miracle I got picked. I was shocked. I mean really, really shocked."

The show aired Saturday

evening on Chicago superstation WGN-TV, which is available to area residents on Charter Communications' cable service.

Robert said he qualified for it by scratching off three "TV" sets on an Illinois Luckiest scratch-off instant ticket. He was one of 17 people chosen from about 1,800 entries each week after he filled out the back of the ticket and sent it to the Springfield Illinois Lottery office. Another person was chosen from about 150 entries, making 18 people in all.

Of those 18, Robert and eight others were chosen as contestants to compete on the televised show for as much as \$100,000.

On Jan. 22 he and his brother, John, packed an overnight suitcase and headed

to the Windy City in Robert's car in hope, Robert said, of returning home with "dollar sign smiles" on their faces.

The next day, they found themselves at the WGN studios on Bradley Place in Chicago for the show's taping.

Robert said that his brother acted if he were a big kid as he and others rooted for him from the audience.

"It was one big, happy family up there. Everybody was pulling for everybody. It was fun," Robert said.

He went on to say that he won his "millions" while playing Knockouts.

The game consisted of a box that, when a pin is pulled from the top, moves about a table like a jumping bean, knocking over what Robert called "plastic or metal tubes."

The object of the game, he

said, was to tell the show's host before the game started how long it would take before a tube was knocked over.

"I had three chances at it. On the second try, I said six seconds," Robert said. "After six seconds the tubes were still standing. I can't say I'm rich, but I won."

Robert said his luck ran out, however, when he played Wrecking Ball and Pinball.

Pinball, he said, could have netted him an additional \$100,000 if he would have been fortunate enough to place three balls in three different slots.

"I was so nervous, I couldn't shoot right. I messed up," he said. "Everybody messed up."

Robert's winnings were part of about \$3 million given away on the show, originally known as "Illinois Instant Riches," since it first aired.

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Campbell upgraded from critical to stable condition

Coolidge student critically injured in Feb. 26 accident; prompts safety plea

Betty Campbell was upgraded from critical to serious condition Thursday, according to a spokesperson for EJC Children's Hospital in St. Louis.

GRANITE CITY Campbell, 13, was struck by a pickup truck Feb. 26 on Madison

Avenue while on her way home from Coolidge Middle School.

After receiving lifesaving aid from emergency personnel, she was transported by helicopter to the hospital, where she remained in critical but stable condition for six days.

The accident prompted Campbell's grandfather to call

City Hall. Third Ward Alderman Nick Petrillo addressed the Granite City Council March 2 on the grandfather's behalf.

He asked if street and alleys, traffic and light and police and fire committees could discuss possible actions that would prevent a similar tragedy.

The council agreed to address the issue.

The area where Campbell was struck has been a problem for several years, according to reports.

The driver of the vehicle involved in the accident was not charged.

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Church breaks ground on new metal structure

But Granite City Council may slap restrictions

By Mike Heil
Staff writer

A Granite City church broke ground Sunday on a new metal structure on its property.

GRANITE CITY At its March 16 meeting, the Granite City Council may break ground on an ordinance that could restrict such action in the future.

Last week, the council passed a motion that might allow them to enact ordinances restricting where such construction could take place in the city. The motion passed 7-5.

And until later this month, the church may be the only place breaking ground. The council also passed a two-week moratorium, temporarily suspending the issuance of building permits until the proposed ordinances can be acted upon.

The motion stemmed from a discussion in which Alderman Craig Tarpoif voiced his concern over Mayor Ron Selph's issuance of a building permit for a "pre-engineered metal structure."

Selph recently granted a permit that allows the Four

Square Gospel Church to build such a structure on East 23rd Street.

It's the latest measure in a series of debates between Selph and several aldermen over what is considered a pre-engineered metal structure and what is considered a "pole barn."

Those voting in favor of the motion were Tarpoif and Aldermen Casmer Skubish, Kim McTaggart, Bob Cook, Sandy Shaw, Eddie Asadorian and Nick Petrillo.

Voting against the motion were Aldermen Foster "Freddie" Frederick, Bob Page, Lurton Pulley, Leo Wollord and Mac Warfield. Aldermen Pat Davis and Brian Fuzzessery were absent.

Many aldermen, including Tarpoif, considered the church addition a "pole barn" and asked City Attorney Keith Jensen to see if Selph has the authority to issue the permit.

Selph's decision to grant the permit overrode an earlier decision by Zoning Administrator Glen Hollis, who had denied the church the permit.

At last week's meeting, Jensen told the council that Selph did have the authority to issue the permit based on information that he had

received from the Illinois Municipal League.

Tarpoif told the council he thought it was in the best interest of the city to prohibit pre-engineered metal structures in commercial and residential areas.

"If these structures are allowed to be built in residential areas, homeowners may choose not to build there," Tarpoif said.

"If they are allowed to be built in commercial areas, businesses may choose not to build or relocate there. These structures could ultimately affect the growth of our city."

Tarpoif was particularly concerned about pre-engineered metal structures being built in undeveloped residential areas along Maryville Road that were annexed by the city.

"We annexed the area for potential growth," he said. "What will happen to it if no one will build there?"

But Tarpoif said he would like the council to approve a special building permit where such structures could be built in industrial areas or on warehouse sites.



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Grand opening

Medicap Pharmacy in Granite City recently opened for business. Taking part in the ribbon-cutting ceremonies were, from left, Lana Behrens, Medicap district representative Brad Amrhein, Sherryelle Ford, Frances Pelate, Kay Howell, Jim Howell, Cheryl Pelate, Al Pelate, Chris Naughton, Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce executive director R.C. Bush, Derek Pelate, Chamber ambassador Walter Milton, Phillip Theis, Larry Petri, Daryl Walker and Don Smith. Others in the background are Karen Walsh, Tena Hoersch, Dustin Pelate, Marilyn Ronney, Amber Farikes and Jeff Smith.

Police Blotter

Madison County Sheriff

Jeffery L. Cook, 43, of Collinsville was picked up on two outstanding warrants at 7:51 p.m. Thursday in the 3200 block of Fairmont Avenue in Collinsville. He was wanted for disorderly conduct through the Granite City Police Department, with bond set at \$2,500.

\$3,740, and for assault through the Collinsville Police Department, with bond set at \$2,500.

BURGLARY: A resident of the 1300 block of Pleasant Ridge Drive, Maryville, reported jewelry worth \$15,000 was stolen.

In Brief

Nu-Tan hosting blood drive

The American Red Cross will be holding a blood drive from 1-3 p.m. Saturday, March 13, at Nu-Tan Tanning Salon in Oakmont Shopping Center, Ponton Beach.

Each donor will receive two tanning sessions compliments of Nu-Tan.

Church marking

20th anniversary

Evangelist Dr. B.J. Baldwin will be the guest speaker at a revival celebrating the 20th anniversary of New Testament Missionary Baptist Church in Granite City.

On March 7, the church — located at 620 Niedringhaus — celebrated its 20th anniversary with all-day services.

The revival will begin at 7 p.m. through Friday at the church.

Legacy hosting golf tourney

The Legacy Golf Course will be having its ninth St. Patrick's Day Tournament on March 13. The cost is \$30 per player for the three-person scramble.

Fee includes greens fees, cart and a corned beef and cabbage dinner. Call 931-4353 to register.

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By Scott Co
Staff writer

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MCT seeking new bids for county bicycle network

Trail will take several years to finish

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Plans for county bike trails are moving ahead.

MADISON COUNTY

The Madison County Transit District, which oversees development of trails in the county — is preparing to go out for bids and seek new funding.

At a recent Madison County Board meeting, MCT Managing Director Jerry Kane said the district was preparing to go out for bids on construction of the first phase of the Confluence Trail, which will run from Alton to Lock and Dam 27 in Granite City. The trail was originally

expected to run from Alton to the Eads Bridge in East St. Louis, but was shortened because of cost and problems getting through the railroad yards near Venice and Brooklyn because of safety and security concerns.

Kane said extending the trail to the Eads Bridge will have to wait until the relocated Illinois 3 is completed.

At this time, the trail will begin in the Russell Commons area in Alton and travel along levees to the dam.

The first phase of the trail will be from Russell Street in Alton to Eastgate Plaza shopping center in East Alton. The major obstacle in the first phase is crossing the Wood River in Alton.

Kane said a bridge

specifically for the trail will have to be built because the Illinois Department of Transportation will not allow the use of existing bridges for bicycle and pedestrian traffic.

"That's a major expense and a major engineering challenge," he said.

In phase two, which will take the trail to the lock and dam, there are other challenges involving floodgates along Illinois 3.

"The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers doesn't want bridges on floodgates," he said.

The cost of the trail is expected to be about \$5 million.

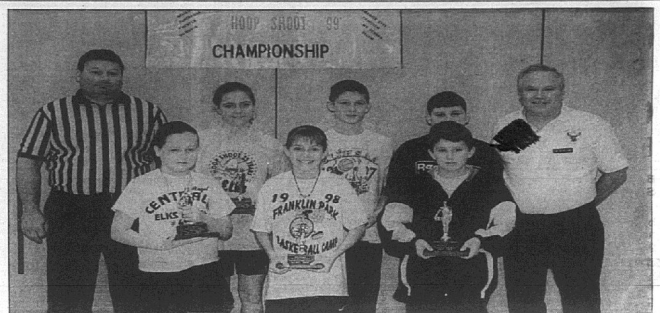
Kane said the first phase may be completed by next year.

The district was also planning to submit proposals for funding of the Schoolhouse Trail.

Phase one of the trail will stretch from Illinois 203 near Horseshoe Lake State Park to Troy.

Phase two — the northern section — will run from the Madison County Courthouse in Edwardsville to Wanda Road near South Roxana. That trail is also expected to cost about \$5 million.

Funding for trail projects comes from a combination of local, federal and state funding.



Hoop Shoot winners

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The Metro-East Elks lodge recently held their annual district Hoop Shoot competition, part of the national youth free-throw shooting contest held each year, at SIU-Edwardsville. Winners advance to Bloomington for the state championship. Winners included, from left, Blake Wood of Lebanon and Angel Graham of Centralia in the 8-9 division; Jace Carter and Lindsay Dye, both of Salem, in 10-11; and Jeff Mulholland of Steelville and Whitney Sykes of Granite City in 12-13. With the winners are District Chair Jim McKechnan and lead official Jim Greenwald, both of Granite City.

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Obituaries

Elmer Baker

ELMER H. BAKER, 88, of Mesa, Ariz., formerly of Granite City, died Sunday, Feb. 28, 1999, at Healthstone Nursing Home in Mesa, Ariz. Mr. Baker was born June 27, 1910, in Granite City. He was a retired comptroller at Smith-Schantz Paper Company and was a member of St. Peter Evangelical United Church of Christ, Granite City Rotary Club and The Lighthouse for the Blind in St. Louis.

Survivors include his wife, Thelma (Peterson) Baker, whom he married May 20, 1938; one daughter, Dr. Berthe Baker Eschenbrenner of Northville, Mich.; and two granddaughters, Carla and Ellen Eschenbrenner of Northville, Mich.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Mary (Schiller) Baker; two sisters; and one brother.

Services were held Saturday, March 6, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. Rose Hermonoff officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Memorials may be made to St. Peter Evangelical United Church of Christ.

Doris Bevil
DORIS (RASH) BEVILL, 79, of Madison, died Sunday, March 7, 1999, at St. Anthony's Medical Center in St. Louis.

Mrs. Bevil was born July 19, 1919, in southeast Missouri. She had been an investigator for the federal government's Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and was a member of First United Methodist Church of Christ and the Joy Club at the church.

Survivors include her mother, Lena (Walton) Rash; one daughter, three daughters, Maureen Graves of Oakland, Mo., Tricia Armato of Naperville and Susan Bevil of St. Louis; two brothers, Travis Rash of Granite City, and Kenneth Rash of San Diego; her two sisters, Clara Sweazy of Elsberry, Mo., seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Burt Bevil; her father, Harry Rash; and one son, Terry Bevil.

Services will be 11 a.m. today, Wednesday, March 10, at Irwin Chapel, 3560 Maryville Road, Granite City, with the Rev. Shane Smith officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association.

Rex Buckingham Sr.
REX E. BUCKINGHAM SR., 69, of Edwardsville, died Saturday, March 6, 1999, at Missouri Baptist Hospital in St. Louis.

Mr. Buckingham was born July 5, 1929, in Madison. He was a retired steel worker at Granite City Steel and was a member of the Wood Craftman, United Steelworkers of America Local 367, Joyful Noise Kitchen Band and Word of Life Tabernacle.

Survivors include his sons, Ricardo Buckingham, Keith Buckingham, Gary Spray and Rex Buckingham Jr., all of Granite City; four daughters, Sheila Buckingham of Granite City, Sherree Brennan of Imperial, Mo., Lori Bush of Highland and Gail Baker of Granite City; one brother, Tom Buckingham of Mt. Olive; 20 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

children. He was preceded in death by his parents, Tom and Ola (Boone) Buckingham; three brothers, Les, Tuel and Roy Buckingham; one sister, Margaret Schindler; and one grandson, Ricky Buckingham.

Services were held Tuesday, March 9, at Word of Life Tabernacle in Granite City, with the Rev. Henry Crippen officiating. Burial was in Glen Carbon.

Werner Chapel handled the arrangements.

Steve Drag
STEVE A. DRAG, 74, of Belleville, died Wednesday, March 3, 1999, at Memorial Hospital, Belleville.

Mr. Drag was born April 9, 1924, in Fairmont City. He was a retired letter carrier for the U.S. Postal Service, Cahokia Branch, and was a member of St. Augustine of Canterbury Church, Polish American War Veterans, and Knights of Columbus Council No. 592.

Survivors include his daughters, Doreen Sheffel of Kokomo, Ind., Sally Berger of Sugarland, Texas, Sally Bergstedt of San Antonio and Maria Ross of Belleville; one son, David Drag of Smithton; four sisters, Rose Lubarda of Belleville, Mary Palmer of St. Louis, Evelyn Wells of St. Louis and Lorraine Alexander of Granite City; and 10 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Joanna (Mizuski) Drag; his mother, one brother, Alfred Paul Drag; and his parents, Karol and Dora (Zorek) Drag.

Services were held Saturday, March 5, from Kassy Mortuary in Fairview, from St. Augustine of Canterbury Church in Belleville for a Mass of Christian Burial, with the Rev. Andrew W. Kasper officiating. Burial was in Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Belleville.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

Joan Garity
JOAN P. GARITY, 63, of Granite City, formerly of Edwardsville, died Wednesday, March 3, 1999, at her residence.

Mrs. Garity was born May 31, 1936, in Granite City. She had worked at the Highway Cafe for 22 years, then for SportService at Busch Stadium and with Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville Dining Service as a supervisor for the last 11 years.

Survivors include her husband, Tom Garity, whom she married Oct. 13, 1960; three sons, Gary Fife of Yuma, Colo., and James Fife and Mark Fife, both of Edwardsville; two daughters, Jennifer Mount of Glen Fork and Gerald "Jerry" Mount of Hartford; two sisters, June Holmes Fife of Edwardsville, and one granddaughter, Sarah Fife of Yuma, Colo.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Tom and Evelyn (Edith) Mount; one brother, one sister, and one granddaughter.

Services are pending at Weber Funeral Home in Edwardsville. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

Neal Giffin
NEAL C. GIFFIN, 76, of Granite City, died March 6, 1999, at

Ingham County Medical Center. Mr. Giffin was born Oct. 13, 1920, in Granite City. He was a retired from the U.S. Navy, serving in World War II, and was a member of the Lutheran faith.

Survivors include his wife, Marion (Fidler) Giffin; one son, Michael Giffin of Dearborn, Mich.; one daughter, Beverly Phillips of Allen Park, Mich.; one brother, Fred Giffin Jr. of Granite City; one sister, Doris Lawray of Granite City; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Pearl (Diller) Giffin Sr.; and one sister, Opal Spies.

Graveside services will be 1:30 p.m. today, Wednesday, March 10, at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, with the Rev. John Gambin officiating.

Memorials may be made to the National Kidney Foundation or the American Heart Association.

Irwin Chapel handled the arrangements.

Evelyn Papes
EVELYN M. (PODOWSKI) PAPES, 71, of Granite City, died Thursday, March 4, 1999, at Missouri Baptist Medical Center in St. Louis.

Mrs. Papes was born Feb. 24, 1928, in St. Louis. She was a homemaker and a member of Holy Family Catholic Church.

Survivors include her daughter, Lynn Whiteside of Cassville; two sons, Joseph Papes of Chesterfield, Mo., and Michael Papes of Florissant, Mo.; one brother, Alfred Podowski of Worden; one sister, Corine Wright of O'Fallon; and six grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph Papes, whom she married June 19, 1948; and her parents, John and Agnes (Kwiatkowski) Podowski.

Services were held Saturday, March 6, at Holy Family Catholic Church in Granite City, with the Rev. Tom Wise officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Glen Carbon.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Charles Parmley
CHARLES G. PARMLEY, 91, of Granite City, died Friday, March 5, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Mr. Parmley was born Dec. 2, 1907, in Granite City. He was a member of St. Elizabeth Catholic

Church. Survivors include his daughter, Phyllis Mosby of Granite City; one son, Gerald Parmley of Granite City; one sister, Minnie Jackson of Collinsville; seven grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ethel (Huffstutler) Parmley; and one son, Charles Parmley.

Services were held Monday, March 8, at Davis Funeral Home in Granite City, with the Rev. Dr. Lewis Trotter officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Hazel Pierson
HAZEL L. (PIPPY) PIERSON, 83, of Granite City, died at 9:05 p.m. Monday, March 7, 1999, at Colonial Care Center in Granite City.

She was born Oct. 14, 1915, in Westmoreland, Tenn. Mrs. Pierson was a homemaker. She was a member of Second Baptist Church and a past madame and president of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Ladies Auxiliary.

Survivors include her husband, John Pierson, whom she married in 1937; two sons, Gordon Pierson and David Pierson, both of Granite City; 10 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Fletcher and Mae (Graves) Pippy; and two sisters, Ruby Logan and Viola Corley.

Visitation will be held from 5 to 8 p.m. today, Wednesday, March 10, at Irwin Chapel, 3560 Maryville Road. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 11, at the funeral home, with the Rev. Carl Watkins officiating. Burial will be in McKendree Chapel Cemetery, Kaysport, where a graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, March 11.

Glorine Ropac
GLORINE ROPAC, 87, of Pontoon Beach, died Monday, March 8, 1999, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

She was born Aug. 2, 1911, in Granite City, and was a Pontoon Beach resident for 28 years. Ms. Ropac retired in 1957 from St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City, where she had worked as a scrub nurse for nine years. She was a member of St. Elizabeth Catholic

Church. Survivors include a sister, Donna Robb of Granite City; and a brother, Richard Ropac of California. She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Mary (Harshy) Ropac.

Funeral services are at 10 a.m. today, Wednesday, March 10, at Werner Chapel. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Edwardsville.

Randolph Vancil
RANDOLPH VANCIL, 47, of Springfield, Ill., died Wednesday, March 3, 1999, at his residence.

Mr. Vancil was born May 28, 1951, in Taylorville. He had worked for The Salvation Army.

Survivors include his daughters, Sheri Ready of Cypress, Calif., and Theresa Vancil of Jacksonville, N.C.; his stepfather, Edward Jackson of Granite City; three brothers, Bruce Jackson, Christopher Jackson and Phillip Jackson, all of Granite City; three sisters, Karen Rumpf of Granite City, and Phonda Johnson and Renee Jackson, both of Danville, and four grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Harold and Arnette Miller Vancil; and three brothers, Gregory Vancil, Michael Jackson and Jeffrey Jackson.

Graveside services will be held at a later date in McIntosh Cemetery. Kirlin-Egan and Butler Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

Cyrus Walker Jr.
CYRUS D. WALKER JR., 74, of St. Petersburg, Fla., formerly of Granite City, died Thursday, March 4, 1999, in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Mr. Walker was born in Granite City. He retired from Granite City

Steel and was a member of the VFW, Ainal Shrine, Masons Lodge 835 AFAM, Fraternal Order of the Eagles as a Golden Eagle and St. John United Church of Christ. Mr. Walker was a World War II Navy veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Alice (Lynn) Walker; three children, Cyrus Walker III of Apple Valley, Minn., Marsha Spindler of St. Petersburg, Fla., and Richard Walker of Troy; his mother, Alma (Thielker) Walker of Granite City; one sister, Rose Bauer of Granite City; and eight grandchildren.

Services will be held at a later date in St. Petersburg, Fla. The remains were cremated.

Geraldine Wagner
GERALDINE N. WAGNER, 84, formerly of Granite City, died Tuesday, March 2, 1999, at Goodwin House West in Falls Church, Va.

Mrs. Wagner was a native of Herndon and was a resident of Granite City for 45 years, until 1991. Mrs. Wagner was a graduate of Missouri Baptist School of Nursing and worked at St. Elizabeth Hospital as an industrial nurse for many years at various area industries.

Survivors include her son, Robert Wagner, and his partner, W. Allen Scott, both of Alexandria, Va.; and another son, Richard Wagner of York, Maine.

Memorials may be made in Mrs. Wagner's memory to GRW Nursing Education Fund in care of Ms. Cathy Farmer, Director of Nursing, Goodwin House West, 3440 S. Jefferson St., Falls Church, Va., 22041. Please indicate "In Memory of Geraldine Wagner."

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Rabbitt implicates self in two Collinsville attacks

South Side Rapist suspect faces several trials

By Val McDowell
and Tim Rowden
Staff Writers

Suspected South Side Rapist Dennis Rabbitt may be telling a different story

COLLINSVILLE — Now, but last week he implicated himself in at least two Collinsville attacks, police say.

"He was forthcoming with information that helped us out," Collinsville Police Detective Tom Coppotelli said. "He admitted to involvement with the Collinsville rapes and said he would be cooperative."

A five-month manhunt for Rabbitt ended Feb. 28 with

his arrest in an Albuquerque, N.M., motel. Coppotelli was one of several officers who traveled there from Missouri and Illinois to interview him.

Coppotelli, who returned Tuesday from Albuquerque, said he currently is involved in research and has a number of people to talk with to confirm Rabbitt's statements.

"What I'll be doing for the next several days is tracking down a number of Rabbitt's associates, and basically confirming the information that he provided us with," Coppotelli said.

Rabbitt was charged in Madison County last fall with the Feb. 5, 1995, rape of a Collinsville woman. He is

suspected of the Oct. 29, 1994, assault of an elderly city woman as well as two home invasions during the same period.

Coppotelli said he is unsure how many Collinsville incidents Rabbitt ultimately may be charged in as the 32-year-old victim from 1994 has since died.

"I will be meeting with (Madison County State's Attorney) Bill Haine to discuss how to handle the situation where the victim has died," he said.

Rabbitt, 42, of Cedar Hill, Mo., was arraigned in St. Louis Circuit Court Thursday on 40 counts, including rape and related charges stemming from a string of sexual assaults.

Local mother arrested for child neglect

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He then peered through a window in front of the house and saw what he perceived to be fecal material laying on a stairway leading to the second floor.

The officer knocked again. A bare-footed child, pallid-looking and having red spots on his feet, answered the door. The child, 10, when asked where his mother was, told the officer that she was bathing. The officer put one foot in the house and pushed the door open.

Inside, he allegedly saw animal feces, dirt and debris everywhere. Mice began scampering across his feet, cockroaches began crawling up his pants and fleas began to infest his body.

In the living room, trash and debris were allegedly stacked on top each other. The child, according to authorities, had to crawl over large boxes to get to other rooms.

As the officer observed the house, the child began talking

to someone on the telephone. The officer took the phone and asked the woman who she was. The woman said she was watching two other children who lived at the residence and told the officer that when she asked Carlyle to clean the house, the mother allegedly did not respond.

Upon further inspection, the officer allegedly smelled urine in the kitchen and allegedly saw rotten food in the refrigerator and frozen cockroaches in the freezer. When he opened a cabinet door, cockroaches fell from it. He also heard dogs barking in the yard.

In the older girl's bedroom, mice were scampering about and a sheet of plywood, used for a bed, was allegedly tucked in a corner.

The child told the officer that his sister slept on stuffed dolls she had placed on the floor instead of the plywood.

After the officer had seen the child's room, which was allegedly infested with fleas, cockroaches and debris, he spoke to Carlyle by phone.

The officer told Carlyle, who

was at work and not in the bathroom, that he was taking the children into protective custody for health and welfare reasons and ordered Carlyle to report to the police station. When the officer asked Carlyle why she house was left in such squalid conditions, she allegedly did not reply.

Granite City Police Chief Dave Ruebhausen said the children were turned over to the Department of Children and Family Services about 5 p.m. Friday, about the same time Carlyle was taken into custody.

Ruebhausen also said that about a month ago, Carlyle and Bob Bell, the owner of the property who resides in Edwardsville, were given citations by the Granite City Inspection and Sanitary Department for trash and debris that had accumulated in front of the house.

"The city has been concerned about this property for a while," Ruebhausen said. "Neighbors have been upset about the conditions. After an inspection, that's why the citations were given."

Niedringhaus students donate to shelter

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they would. Harris, who has about 25 children in her classroom, said that besides the donation, a card with her students' photos

and names were sent, as well. "That was another way they felt they could help," she said. "The card was a nice gesture."

Harris continued to say that her kindergarten class wasn't the only class that had given to the shelter.

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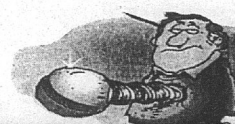


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Buffet's many investing strategies, techniques outlined in new book

Attention, all Warren Buffett fans: You can read about this financial guru's investing strategies in the book, "Buffettology: The Previously Unexplained Techniques That Have Made Warren Buffett the World's Most Famous Investor."

Written by Mary Buffett and David Clark, the book contains interesting and insightful information.

Buffett's investing philosophy corresponds with that of Benjamin Graham. "The Intelligent Investor," is probably the best investing logic between two covers. Buffett has used Graham's philosophies to achieve remarkable success.

Here's what Buffett looks for before he buys:

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6. Value companies selling at discounted prices because the general public thinks their best days are over. For example, Buffett bought Coca-Cola at a bargain price in the 1970s when investors thought it had lost its appeal.

If this sounds like lots of work and research, it is. Buffett takes a long time to buy part of a company, but when he does, he buys a lot, and he buys for the long term. Buffett invests in remarkably few companies for a billionaire investor. He is secure enough in his selections (and strong enough in assets) that he's willing to take major positions without a plan of owning his investments for years, if not a lifetime.

Buffett also likes companies that pay few dividends because



Jeff Prosser

compounded at about 23 percent annually. Had it paid instead of reinvesting for capital growth, the return would have been less than 16 percent.

"Buffettology" might fly with a billionaire, but most investors require more diversification, along with a few dividends. However, his ideas on what makes a good investment can be helpful to everyone.

"Buffettology" makes interesting reading that might even provide a few pointers along the way.

Jeff Prosser is an investment professional in the Granite City office of St. Louis-based investment firm Edward Jones.

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By Nicole Vaughn Staff writer

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with others.

Bowlers will roll two games and use their best score (minimum of 100) to calculate per-pin pledges. Pledges also can be made in the form of lump-sum donations.

Wagenblast said last year was the first time for the event. About \$3,500 was raised by 13 teams.

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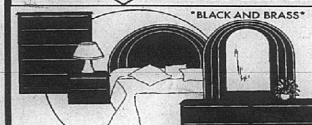
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Area farmers organize upcoming farm policy information meeting

By Thomas Wrausmann
Staff writer

JERSEYVILLE A group of local farmers has organized an upcoming meeting in Jerseyville to protest federal farm policy and begin to make its concerns known to Congress. Although the economic situation is the worst for hog producers, prices for all commodities have fallen drastically since last year, said farmer Dan Moore of Mendota.

Moore is the coordinator of the meeting, scheduled for 7 p.m. March 15 at the Jersey County Courthouse. Prices for all major

commodities are at a 25-year low and falling, Moore said.

All area farmers and those in agribusiness are urged to attend the meeting. Solutions will be discussed and planned at the meeting on the "Current Farm Crisis and Ag Policy."

Moore said leaders of the national and state Farm Bureaus are apparently happy with the current farm law, called the "Freedom to Farm Bill," which spends billions of dollars on a faulty system.

However, Moore said "we're not happy, and we're wanting something done about it. There's no security in the national program. I received almost \$57,000

from the government in 1998 and I still lost money. I don't want my income to come from the government — I want it to come from the market."

Moore said many farmers feel this way, but their concerns aren't reaching Congress and the U.S. Department of Agriculture via traditional channels.

For example, he said one year ago, corn was at \$2.80 a bushel vs. about \$1.50 now; soybeans were at \$7 vs. \$4 now and wheat was at \$3 vs. \$1.80 now. Worst of all, live hogs were at \$35 per 100 pounds against just \$8 now.

"If you survive on these prices, then stay home," Moore said.

St. Patrick's Specials

Variety of Irish music, movies to get in St. Patrick's Day spirit

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collection of traditional Irish sing-alongs, Celtic dance music and festive pub songs. — "Landmarks" by Clannad: All new music from the Grammy-award winning Celtic legends.

— "Tears of Stone" by Chieftains: A collection of love songs from the Chieftains and special guests including female vocalists Natalie Merchant, Bonnie Raitt, Sinéad O'Connor and Diana Krall and world-renowned fiddlers.

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— "The Boxer": A romance set in Ulster, Northern Ireland. After 14 years in prison, Danny Flynn returns to his Belfast neighborhood and his boxing career but finds himself in the thick of politics and violence. Starring Daniel Day-Lewis and Emily Watson. 1992, rated R.

— "Circle of Friends": Three friends face trials and tribulations when hearts and hormones conflict with their strict Irish Catholic upbringing as they attend a university in Dublin. Starring Chris O'Donnell and Minnie Driver. 1994, rated PG-13.

— "The Devil's Own": Irish-American cop in New York take a charming Irish emigre into their home and he turns out to be an IRA terrorist. Starring Harrison Ford, Brad Pitt and Margaret Colin. 1996, rated R.

— "Far and Away": An epic about immigrants, romance and settling the American West set in 1890s Ireland. Starring Tom Cruise

and Nicole Kidman. 1992, rated PG-13.

— "Lord of the Dance": Filmed at the Point Theatre in Dublin and starring Michael Flatley, "Lord of the Dance" retells Irish folk legend in stunning Celtic dance spectacular.

— "Matchmaker": In this romantic comedy, a big city girl heads to a quaint Ireland burgh where she finds love and humanity among the locals. Soundtrack filled with old and new Irish favorites. Filmed in the village of Roundstone. Starring Janeane Garofalo, Milo O'Shea, David O'Hara and Denis Leary. 1997, rated R.

— "Michael Collins": A revolutionary leader with the Irish Volunteers, Collins is successful in efforts to free Ireland from British rule. He is then unwillingly drawn into a statesman's role as treaty negotiations begin in 1921, ultimately dividing the country and leading to his own assassination. Director Neil Jordan admits the controversial film is his personal look at the complexities of Irish life and one of its complicated heroes. Starring Liam Neeson, Aidan Quinn, Alan Rickman, Stephen Rea and Julia Roberts. 1996, rated R.

— "The Secret of Roan Inish": Irish myth comes to life in this fantasy about the importance of family and place, seen through the eyes of a 10-year-old who's sent to live with her grandparents in post-WWII County Donegal. Cinematographer, Haskell Wexler, works magic on the sea, sky and land offscreen. Starring Jeni Courtney, Michael Lally, Eileen Colgan and John Lynch. 1994, rated PG.

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Long-standing malpractice suit heading for fourth court trial

By Dennis Grubaugh
Staff writer

An odd combination of events, including a murder, has conspired to keep an 8-year-old malpractice case from being resolved in court.

Three times, Edwardsville resident Peggy S. Grant has been to trial against obstetrician Dennis J. Petroff, who she says performed a sterilization procedure on her without her consent.

The first and third trials were declared mistrials. The doctor won the second trial, but the decision was reversed on appeal and the case was sent back to Madison County for retrial.

The latest mistrial was declared Feb. 18, when Circuit Judge P.J. O'Neill agreed with a defense attorney that the jury was improperly shown a few minutes of videotaped deposition from a doctor whose testimony had earlier been deemed prejudicial.

It was a simple mistake, attorneys said later, literally the result of plugging the wrong tape into a VCR.

The same doctor had been allowed to testify via videotape deposition at the first two trials but was ruled out during the third trial.

Attorney Mark Levy of Edwardsville represents Grant. The defense attorney is Ted W. Dennis of Belleville. Neither wanted to say much about the case since it is expected to come back to court for a fourth trial later this year.

"It's unfortunate that it's gone on this long, but there have been three trials so it's not like there hasn't been action on it," Dennis said. Petroff, of Edwardsville, was out of town and unavailable for comment. Grant could not be reached for comment.

The facts are contained in three large files in the Circuit Clerk's Office.

The first trial was derailed by tragedy in October 1995, when Petroff's son, Christopher, 23, was found shot to death in an unrelated case in O'Fallon. The malpractice trial was in its seventh day, and O'Neill declared mistrial because of the publicity.

The civil case came back for a full trial — nine days long — in February 1996. The jury found in favor of Petroff, but the judgment was reversed on appeal by the 5th District Appellate Court in Mount Vernon on Sept. 8, 1997.

The reversal was based partly on a technicality. Between the first and second trials, Grant wanted to amend her complaint against Petroff so she could seek punitive damages based on intentional infliction of emotional distress and battery.

O'Neill denied the request, and the appellate court based its reversal on that denial. Although Illinois law does not allow punitive damages in a malpractice case, it does allow such damages on a battery complaint, the court said.

"Just because the plaintiff has a separate malpractice claim where non-consent was an issue does not mean that an independent claim for battery should be precluded," appellate judges wrote in a split decision siding with Grant.

Petroff first saw Grant in August 1989 when she came in complaining of pelvic discomfort. He scheduled her for a dilation and curettage

and pelviscopy on Sept. 7, 1989, at the Southwest Illinois Outpatient Surgical Center in Edwardsville.

According to previous trial testimony, Grant was to tell Petroff the day of the surgery if she also wanted to go through with a tubal ligation, a procedure that would render her sterile.

What actually happened comes down to one side against the other. Petroff claims he confirmed the procedure with Grant that day.

Anesthetist Mark Mueller also testified that Grant had verbally conveyed her desire to have the tubal ligation.

However, even as the procedure was under way, a nurse, Janet Ballman, realized there was no written consent for the tubal ligation. She told Petroff, and another nurse, Linda Meyers, was sent from the room to find a Grant family member.

Meyers testified that she contacted Grant's boyfriend, Mark Hagemeister, who

allegedly confirmed Grant's desire to have the tubal ligation. The nurse returned, and the procedure was done.

Later testimony indicated Grant was asked to initial a consent form, but only after she awoke from anesthesia. She filed suit against Petroff Sept. 4, 1991, accusing him of negligence.

On Feb. 18, 1992, Grant began seeing obstetrician Dr. Robert Cohen of St. Louis, who told her it was not possible to reverse the tubal procedure.

Cohen later testified in her behalf, stating that Petroff should have obtained the written consent.

One of the issues during the appeal was Grant's claim that an anesthetist hired by the defense, Dr. Robert Hardin, testified beyond the scope of his expertise when he told jurors that he believed Grant had consented to the sterilization.

Hardin also said that he believed Petroff met "the relevant standard of care."

during the procedure. Grant's attorney argued that she was denied a fair trial because of Hardin's statements. Continued objections to his testimony were overruled by the trial judge.

However, according to the appellate court, "Dr. Hardin possessed no specific knowledge, skill, experience, training or education which would have qualified him to express an opinion on Grant's veracity."



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Bank officers are Leroy Kluefer, president; Michael Breen, executive vice president and CEO; Janet Wilkening, vice president; Brett Bruhn, vice president; Janet Hall, cashier; Denise Engleke, assistant cashier; Jennifer Gehner, assistant cashier; Joyce Koenig, branch manager at Maryville; and Steve Selby, assistant vice president at Maryville.

The total assets of the bank grew to \$51,525,000, for a 18.3 percent growth for the year. Total deposits increased by 21 percent; loans, 16.5 percent; bond investments, 19.4 percent; and ROE, 8.6 percent.

Donald L. Hedrick and Louie Meyer, both of Maryville, were appointed to the board.

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Coaching speculation

College vacancies could be filled by former Kahoks players

When it comes to coaching vacancies, speculation can be fun.

That's why I hope Collinsville High School boys basketball coach Bob Bone does not take offense by my figuring his name has to be mentioned in connection with the resignation/retirement of University of Missouri-St. Louis coach Rick Meckfessel.

Art Voellinger
Sports Views

has been at UMSL since 1982 and is that school's winningest coach. Bone had a stellar career at UMSL from 1973 to '77 and remains No. 1 in several categories, including most points (2,678) during a four-year career of 100 games.

A three-time All-American, Bone also was among the nation's scoring leaders in 1976-77 with 30.3 per game. For his career, Bone averaged 26.8 points per game, a school record that is nearly seven points per game ahead of the nearest player.

Would Bone consider moving from Collinsville, where he has been a fixture since 1987? An obvious concern would be the step to the collegiate level, but Bone already has that at East Central Community College (1979-85) in Missouri prior to returning to his prep alma mater, Collinsville. Bone had a 116-66 record at East Central and 128-12 at Collinsville prior to the postseason.

Speculation? Why not? And, when it comes to former Collinsville players, consider the future of Kevin Stallings, currently the head coach at Illinois State University. Would he be a candidate for that vacant post at Saint Louis University.

Overtime

What a winter for McKendree College. First, the men's and women's basketball teams win their respective conference championships in the same season for the first time, and then the women's track team wins the national NAIA indoor championship. The McKendree men took a 21-10 record into postseason play while the women were 20-10. Both teams, however, roared with late-season success as the men ran off a nine-game win streak from Jan. 12 to Feb. 6 and the women won 10 consecutive games from Jan. 26 to Feb. 25.

The collegiate women's basketball game will be an interesting step for two-time Illinois girls Class A all-stater Molly McDowell of Nokomis, who is headed for Southern Illinois-Carbondale. The 5-foot-9 McDowell scored 30 points in a semifinal defeat (63-54) of Okawville en route to a second straight state crown. At SIUC, her point guard skills could be a blessing for the Salukis as well as former Illinois Ms. Basketball Courtney Smith of Carlyle.

Forced to play the point this season at SIUC, Smith provided limited scoring during a dismal season for the Salukis.

Footnote

Remember when this corner extended congrats to former O'Fallon High football and track star Tom Barrett for achieving



Granite City senior Cory Winfield helped the Warriors capture the Southwestern Conference championship last fall.

Tim Stephenson photo

O'Fallon claims MVCHA championship

Panthers romp past Eagles in Class AA

By Adam Roe
and Scott Marion
Staff writers

The sparkling cider flowed Sunday night after the O'Fallon Panthers became the third team to win the Mississippi Valley Hockey Association championship.

The Panthers' 7-2 victory against Bethalto Civic Memorial in the Class AA game at East Alton Ice Arena marked the first time a team other than Edwardsville or Granite City won the championship since the league's formation.

"This feels great," O'Fallon captain Ryan McKinney said. "It is absolutely awesome. I had never been this far and I wanted to go out with a bang. Me and (senior goaltender) Mark Power and all the seniors wanted it so bad we could taste it."

The mood was a little more somber in the Eagles locker room. Civic Memorial was disappointed to lose, but the players and coach Mitch Dugger were proud of reaching the championship game.

"Like I was saying to the kids the last couple days, we are glad to be here," Dugger said. "We are the North Division champions and we will have to settle for that this year. The kids were a little disappointed, but it was so important to me that they didn't hang their heads. We tried to get each and every player involved in the game because it is not often that you get to play in a game like this."

Eagles senior Nick Williams agreed that just getting to the game was an honor.

"Just to play this game is as good as winning to me," he said. "I have been trying to get this far for four years and we had a good group of guys this year."

Dugger saw some things his team could have done better, but preferred to focus on the positive aspects of the season. He seemed especially proud of the effort he received from his seniors. O'Fallon, meanwhile, finished the season 24-3-2, including the South Division regular season and playoff championships.

"We outshot Bethalto 10-2 in the first period," said Panthers coach Ken Larrisey. "We really controlled the puck in their zone, but it was the championship game and their goalie was red hot. But it's the law of percentages that if you keep shooting, you're going to score. We finally scored the first goal and they got a little rattled."

"We scored three shorthanded goals in two minutes in the second period. That provided us with a sense of urgency that we had lacked from the opening faceoff."

"We just went back to basics. We executed on our breakouts and got out of our zone and we were able to move the puck up the ice."

As has been the case throughout the season, O'Fallon got contributions from a number of players.

"Ryan McKinney did a great job and got some clutch goals, but one of the unsung heroes of the playoff series was (junior winger) Ryan Cooper."

Partl, who won Bowler of the Year honors for two seasons, Tom Partl has been the anchor of the Collinsville Kahoks boys bowling team.

In fact, Partl and his friend, Belleville East senior Mike Loehring, have been the foundation for the entire Southern Illinois High School Bowling Conference boys program.

Even though the SIHSBC is only three years old, Partl and Loehring have established some lofty benchmarks at which others will shoot for years to come.

Partl, who won Bowler of the Year honors for Journal Newspapers of Southern Illinois, led the SIHSBC for the second straight year in highest average per game. This season, Partl carried a 221.7 average in rolling 23 games. A year ago, in Collinsville's first year of prep bowling, he became the first bowler to roll an 800 series in league play.

Two weeks ago, Partl finished third as an individual at the non-sanctioned boys state bowling tournament at St. Clair Bowl in Fairview Heights. He also paced the Kahoks to a second-place finish as team. The SIHSBC awarded Partl \$1,700 in college scholarship money for placing in the top three at the state tournament, which is not sanctioned by the IHSA.

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for someone else to do his job for him."

Granite City coach Gene Baker thinks Winfield will get better.

"I think he is beginning to mature more physically," Baker said. "I think he is going to wind up being a

well-developed, good-looking athlete. His stamina began to show this year, a little more strength. I thought the coach would like the kind of good, sensitive feet and good ball skills he has and his ability to make sharp passes. He also does very well academically."

Winfield found UWP appealing.

"I went up there with my father and David (Marriage) to visit Winfield said 'I liked it a lot. They made me a good offer so I went ahead and went with that.'

"Coach Baker said it was more of a small school and that I will fit in better with the system there than somewhere else. He said that Coach Kilps

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Larrisey said, "We started calling him 'Mr. March' because his play the last three weeks has been so exceptional. He's been a leader on the ice as far as goal scoring, hitting and all-around outstanding hockey."

"A lot of people didn't pick us to win it all, but we had a great work ethic and won a championship. You play like you practice, and that carried over into (Sunday) night's game."

The Panthers advanced to the title game with Friday's 4-2 semifinal victory against Alhambra.

"Alhambra wanted to go to the championship just as much as we did and they played really great hockey," Larrisey said. "But Ryan McKinney's clutch goal in the second period made the difference. Ryan skated from end to end through all five games, then deked the goalie, drew him out and put it in the top shelf."

"We're definitely a second- and third-period team. In the first period, it's kind of like a 'get it back where you're feeling the other team out.'"

There was a time early in the season when Larrisey wasn't sure if his team

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Collinsville's Partl leaves marks for others to chase

By Brian Bretsch
Staff writer

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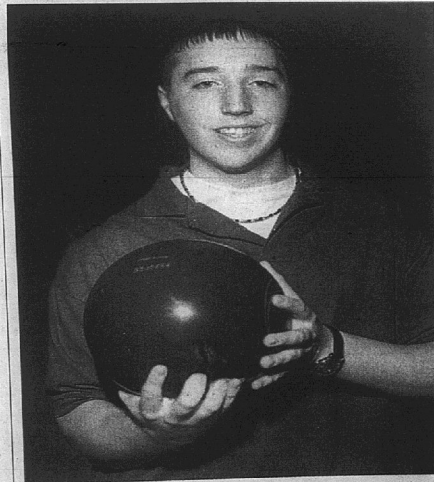
Loehring finished with the second-best

"He doesn't have a bad series because of that. On days where he can't put up a really big score, he makes sure to have a mediocre score. His bad days aren't really bad. That is the only way to average that high. That is a big average — 221 is a huge average."

"I think it helped me and Mike being good friends and talking about keeping up with each other."

Loehring finished with the second-best

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John Swistak Jr. photo

Tom Partl led the bowling conference.

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Sports

Gateway Classic Sports Foundation plans tourney

Five full evenings of action are promised at the fifth annual Amateur Boxing Tournament, 7 p.m. nightly March 15-19 at the Wohl Recreation Center, 1515 North Kingshighway in St. Louis.

The tournament is sponsored by the St. Louis Gateway Classic, Southwestern Bell and the St. Louis City Recreation Division.

The Gateway Classic Sports Foundation's goal, since becoming involved with amateur boxing in 1995, is to bring community and family involvement back to St. Louis' amateur boxing environment.

This year, more than 300 area young people from 22 area clubs are expected to

compete for awards, medals, sweat suits and plaques.

The ticket prices are priced at \$3 for adults and \$3 for children 12 years of age and under. Earl Wilson Jr., president and executive director of the Gateway Classic Sports Foundation, said the tickets are intentionally low-priced to encourage families of varied incomes to

come out and support young people in the St. Louis region.

Individuals who have made significant contributions to amateur boxing in the region are honored at an event in conjunction with the amateur boxing tournaments. The fifth annual Boxing Hall of Fame Awards Ceremony will 12 noon Saturday, March 13, at Spruill's International Catering, 1101 North Jefferson in St. Louis.

Ticket prices are \$7.

Last year, more than 300 guests attended an emotional ceremony where regional boxing legends were honored for their unselfish contributions to boxing or the coaching of young boxers. Irving Clay, St. Louis alderman and vice president of the St. Louis Gateway Classic Sports Foundation's Board of

Directors, said both events bring much-needed dignity, recognition and respect to area boxers young and old alike.

"It is long overdue that the sport of amateur boxing become a celebrated family and community event like it was 20 or 30 years ago," Clay recalled, making a special reference to the Hall of Fame ceremony. "Each individual

deserves the honor of being included in the 1999 Boxing Hall of Fame for their years of service and dedication to the sport."

Tickets for the Amateur Boxing Tournament and the Boxing Hall of Fame Ceremony are available at the door for each event. For more information, call 621-1994.

Barrett leads Redbirds at league meet

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All-American recognition at Illinois State University? The junior leader of the Redbirds didn't disappoint. In the recent Missouri Valley Conference Indoor Championships in Cedar Falls, Iowa, he not only led the Redbirds to a title but gained MVP honors.

He won the 35-pound weight throw with a distance of 72 feet, 2 1/2 inches (more than nine feet better than his nearest rival) and claimed the shot put at 36-4 1/2. His throws not only earned him his third conference titles in the events, but his weight throw broke the ISU, MVC and Northern Iowa Dome all-time indoor records.

MVCHA playoffs

Mississippi Valley Club Hockey Association Class AA Regular Season Final Northern Division

Team.....	W-L-T
Illinois (Granite City).....	13-3-3
Bethalto Civic Memorial.....	10-8-4
Alton.....	10-8-4
Edwardsville.....	10-8-4
Alton Marquette.....	8-10-4
Roxana.....	6-10-2

Team.....	W-L-T
O'Fallon.....	11-8-3
Collinsville.....	10-10-2
Bellefonte West.....	10-10-2
Bellefonte East.....	8-11-3
Cahokia.....	6-11-5

Team.....	W-L-T
Illinois (Granite City).....	2-1
Bethalto Civic Memorial.....	2-1
Edwardsville.....	2-1
Alton.....	1-2
Alton Marquette.....	0-3
Roxana.....	0-3

Team.....	W-L-T
O'Fallon.....	3-0
Althoff.....	3-0
Collinsville.....	2-1
Bellefonte West.....	2-1
Cahokia.....	2-1
Bellefonte East.....	0-3

Team.....	W-L-T
O'Fallon 8, Cahokia 4.....	2-1
Althoff 5, Belleville East 2.....	2-1
Illinois Warriors (Granite City) 2, O'Fallon 3.....	2-1
Alton 3, Cahokia 1.....	2-1
Alton Marquette 3, Belleville East 0.....	2-1

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Panthers net championship

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was a championship contender. "We had a team meltdown in November," he said. "A lot of guys tried to break away from the team concept and started to play like a bunch of individuals. That's when we tied Bethalto 3-3. "But the boys pulled it back together and complimented one another instead of criticizing one

another. We went into all of our hockey games with the right attitude. "We're losing four seniors, but we have great depth in junior, sophomore and freshman ranks. We should be a contender again next year." Five O'Fallon players — McKinney, Power, Joel Leiker, Matt Smith and Ryan Carroll — were named to the South Division roster for the MVCHA Class AA all-star game.

Winfield continues Warriors influence at UWP

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is a good guy and that he'll take care of me. He said Coach Kilps would be more restrictive on the things that I could do than Coach Baker was." The Rangers have a long history of success recruiting players from the area. Jim Chomko, Carl Chomko, Chris Ryan and Derrick Wilkinson are all Granite City alumni who have played for Parkside. "I know the Chomkos," Winfield said. "Their family is friends with my family, and I know Jim. We've had a good tradition of guys who have gone up there and done well

and then graduated and go on to things in life other than soccer. That's what I'm looking forward to." If history is any indication, Winfield will do well for the Rangers. "The kids that we have sent to Parkside in the past have done so well, like Jimmy Chomko ended up being an All-American," Baker said. "Actually each guy that I have sent him for the most part has been someone who other programs might regard as a sleeper, and they have all really excelled. I think Corey could fit into that category. Actually Chris Ryan, who played there, played a little bit in Europe. Jimmy and Carl Chomko did so well. Derrick

Wilkinson was a role player on the state tournament team (at Granite City), very bright kid, and he went there and really did quite well. So I think Corey will do the same. I think he is going to be as good as he wants to be. I think it will be very good for him to be in that program with that coach. It has tended to really complement our kids. I hope it works out."

Winfield may get a chance to jump right into the collegiate fray as a freshman. "It looks like I will get to play," Winfield said. "They want me to play attacking midfield, that's the spot that's open right now. All their positions were pretty full, but they had seven or eight graduating seniors, so I think I have a good chance, maybe even of starting and playing a lot."

Joining Winfield is a solid class of new recruits. Seth Pearson (Kenosha Bradford), Mike Samer (Kenosha Tremper) and defender Riley Mewes (Milwaukee Lutheran) are all award-winning, incoming freshman from the Wisconsin area who, along with Winfield, hope to

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Gene Baker
GCHS coach

maintain the strong soccer tradition for the Rangers. "I know that they have several all-state players from Wisconsin and Minnesota coming to play," Winfield said. "I met one other kid but I'm not sure if he signed there or not. I know the kid from O'Fallon, Raymond James, went up to visit, so he may go there. That would be nice." "We should do real well. I think I'll fit in well with the system and I hope to start next year."

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All-Journal boys bowling team

Partl leaves marks to chase

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average in the SIHSBC with a 220.3. He finished second at the state tournament.

"I think we should share of bowler of the year," Partl said. "When he goes out there on the lane, he is a leader. I looked to him and respect that so much, I turned into a leader myself for the team."

"Nobody in their mind would try to go out there and average 220 with all the pressure we had. He had a lot of pressure on himself. I talked to him and he got down on himself a lot. I got down on myself, but still he was able to go out there and still manage to average 220. We were neck-and-neck. If he would have bowled the last match of the year, I guarantee he would have got the highest average."

"It was like fate had us within one pin all year," Partl said. "He shot 180 the first game at state, I shot 180. He shot 250 the next game, I shot 250 the next game. He shot 210; I shot 210. We were even throughout the whole state tournament. He shot 270 the last game and I shot 220 and he beat me by 10 pins."

"I am good friends with his parents and we talk about bowling all the time," Tayloe said. Partl might be selling his accomplishments a bit short based on his friendship with Loehring. "I do think he's the best bowler in the conference," Tayloe said. "I think he was both years. The only two years we have had the program, he led the conference in average both times. That is an accomplishment they can never take away from him."

"Last year I think he did do a better job in the clutch, which he admitted. He had his ups and downs last year, which he didn't have this year. Last year, he had some higher series than what he had this year."

Nonetheless, during his prep career, Partl proved he had what it took in clutch situations.

"The best example of that was last year when he had the 800 series," Tayloe said. "He needed the first strike in the 10th frame for us to win the match. He needed the second strike for an 800. He could have shot 780 and we lose the match. That is a lot of pressure but that is what it means when you are the best player."

First team

Mike Loehring, Belleville East: The senior capped his prep career in spectacular fashion. After posting the league's second-highest regular season average (220.3), he finished second in the state tournament for the club sport at St. Clair Bowl. Loehring posted a nine-game score of 2,062.

"Mike has been our anchor bowler for three years," East coach Rich Hodson said. "He was second in the conference and second in state and was only 10 pins out of first place, which is insignificant."

Travis Papp, Granite City: The sophomore had the third-highest average in the SIHSBC this season. His highest series was a 757, but his 729 series against Edwardsville helped topple the Tigers, 25-11 during the regular season. His high game for the year was a 278.

"I would say first of all that Travis had a fantastic season," Granite City coach Bill Puisse said. "To top it all off, he is starting to grow as a team player and mature as a bowler. He has great things ahead of him in our conference."

Papp really came through for us. He really responds under pressure and that's a good sign for our anchor man to be like that."

Papp carried his excellence over into the postseason, helping the Warriors finish 16th out of 34 teams from across the state.

"I think it's phenomenal for a sophomore to take away the third-highest average in the SIHSBC," Puisse said. "The only two bowlers to beat him out were seniors."

Alan Haynes, Edwardsville: The senior paced the Tigers with a 210.6 average while participating in 32 games for Edwardsville this season. He rolled a team-high 692 series during the regular season and also had a team-best 265 game.

"He came a long way from the beginning of the year," Edwardsville coach Dennis Erlich said. "He struggled at first and almost didn't make the squad. He made the squad and started out slowly."

Haynes' average was in the 160 range when he caught fire. "He is a power bowler. He throws a big hook and the pins splatter," Erlich said. "His spares are a little weak, but he throws a lot of strikes. For us to win the Southwestern Conference division (of the SIHSBC) and go 7-3, it was due in large part to Alan Haynes."

Alan Haynes, Belleville West: The Maroons senior had the league's fourth-highest average at 211.7. He also had the SIHSBC's high series at 768.

"Dan has been with the team all three years and he was consistent all year," said West coach John LeCuyer. "He's really into bowling. He's constantly at the bowling alley."

Ryan Freivogel, Belleville West: The freshman quickly emerged as one of the league's top bowlers, ranking sixth overall with a 205.5 average.

"I figured when he made the team that he would be a strong bowler," LeCuyer said. "I'm glad he'll be with us for a while. He's the guy we'll build around next year."

Ryan's dad runs the pro shop at St. Clair Bowl, so so he's been around bowling forever."

Dan Stewart, Westville: The senior ranked seventh in the league with a 204 average.

"He was the only senior we had, and it was like having another coach around," Westville coach Dave Brode said. "He worked with some of our younger players and had more experience than all of them put together. They were always going to him and asking about lane conditions and making adjustments."

Richard Bechman, O'Fallon: The

sophomore was the top bowler on a balanced Panthers squad.

"He had a few games where he really struggled and he still had a 201 average," O'Fallon coach Mike Engel said. "He's putting it all together."

Charlie Johnson, Collinsville: The senior struggled in the first half of the season but was solid at the end of the year. He played a major role in the Kakahos' second-place finish behind Rockford East at the state tournament.

He carried a 197 average during the regular season but finished 12th at state as an individual.

"Charlie had a great state tournament," Collinsville coach Brad Taylor said. "After the first three games, he averaged 221 the rest of the tournament. In the Baker Format, he has a really important spot because he bowls right before Tom Partl."

Second team

Ryan Rau, Belleville East: Chris Gass, Belleville East. Jeff Lubarda, Belleville East. Gary Brooks, Granite City. Eric Frey, Gibault.

Matt Kaestner, Gibault. Chris Montemuro, Gibault. Mike Smallwood, Freeburg. John Luther, Freeburg. Darren Andersen, O'Fallon. Erik Botzman, O'Fallon. Tom Haeffler, O'Fallon. Nathan Schmitt, Lebanon. Gary Rutledge, Lebanon. Travis Schlommier, Columbia. Zach Altvater, Columbia. J. J. Micher, Cahokia. Drew Armstrong, Cahokia. John Daniel, Edwardsville. Ken Marler, Edwardsville. Kevin Purdy, Collinsville.

Mascountah High hosts volleyball clinic

Mascountah High School is hosting a volleyball coaches clinic on Saturday, March 13. Any coach of players in grades 7-12 is welcome to attend.

Featured speakers include the St. Louis University coaching staff and Belleville Area College coach Todd Guber. There will be several sport suppliers present with samples of shoes, uniforms, accessories, etc., for coaches to examine. The clinic runs from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is \$20 in advance (plus the cost of lunch) or \$25 at the door. Send your name, phone number, the school where you coach and a check for \$20 made out to Mascountah High School addressed to Linda Jentich, Mascountah High School, 1313 W. Main, Mascountah Ill., 62258.

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10
Mercury transits retrograde through Aries, stirring up plenty of excitement and confusion. It's an excellent opportunity to test your own resolve. If you don't act with conviction, everything seems to get muddled. Those who've recently regretted ill-chosen words or wrong decisions have a chance to repair things in the next few days.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY
(March 10). Finances may bring out your controlling side. Let things go, and wait for improved circumstances. You can turn the situation to your advantage in mid-April. Travel and pleasure with a Sagittarius are well-deserved. Singles enjoy a whirlwind romance in June, possibly with a Libra or Leo. Relationships encounter many changes this year, especially in the summer, but hang in there.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Rely on past experience to get you through the rough spots. A lover may be deceiving you; insist on answers. Unreasonable expectations leave you dissatisfied. You are lucky at the gaming table tonight.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Your renewed sense of optimism makes you attractive. Resist the temptation to slack off. You have been grasping for control - don't be afraid to ask for help. Resolve to release tension.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Settling the score has become too important; learn to forgive, and get on with your life. You are full of ideas and can motivate others. You get a sec-

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and chance with an old flame. If a deal falls through, it's a blessing in disguise.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). A tough choice is before you, but luck is on your side. A close relative needs your understanding. You may be on the brink of true love. Concentrate on the summer, but hang in there.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Be consistent with your messages to a romantic partner. Housemates' complaints are valid. A social invitation provides a chance to reconcile with the one you never meant to hurt. Demand respect from an arrogant person.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You gain the upper hand when you don't offer as much information. Romantic possibilities diversify. Pay a debt this afternoon. Unrealistic expectations lead to wasted money. Help a lover make a difficult choice.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). A wise business tip: Secure a commitment before moving to

the next step. You have the opportunity to right a past wrong. Keep your wits about you with a loved one who likes to see you off-balance; there is much to gain.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You are fickle in romance. A former lover insists on sharing your time. Refuse to back down, and you'll save money. Explore options regarding school or work. Let off steam through exercise.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Share the spotlight - there is plenty of room for all. Just a little more self-confidence convinces everyone around you that your ideas are the winning ones. Strike while the iron is hot with a deedy CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You finally get resolution to the situation at hand and see things more clearly. You establish guidelines and goals. Reach out to the wisdom of an older person who is more objective and far-seeing.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Conversation may not flow, and you may encounter narrow-mindedness and distrust. Deal with authorities in a conservative manner. Be patient. A promotion could come soon, and you accomplish more daily.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). A lack of understanding can lead to doubts. Legal matters clear up when you settle for a little less. Commitment to school or religious matters will broaden your vision. If you push yourself, you can create miracles.

Nomination doesn't help 'Thin Red Line'

"The Thin Red Line" had everything going for it: an all-star cast, the return of Terrence Malick after a two-decade absence from filmmaking and seven Oscar nominations. But profits have slumped.

The World War II epic opened on Christmas Day and expanded to wide release on Jan. 15. But it actually lost 2.4 percent of its business the weekend after the Oscar nominations were announced Feb. 9 and another 50 percent last weekend.

The \$52 million film has grossed \$34.4 million in North America.

"I don't think there's any question that it was a

disappointment that it didn't do better with a (nomination) bump," said Tom Sherak, chairman of 20th Century Fox Domestic Film Group. "I have a feeling that because of the kind of movie it was - more of an art movie that went really well - the people who had wanted to see it went to see it."

The other best picture nominees, "Saving Private Ryan" (in re-release), "Elizabeth," "Shakespeare in Love" and "Life Is Beautiful," all got a post-nomination bounce, as did last year's "Titanic," "L.A. Confidential," "Good Will Hunting," "As Good As It Gets" and "The Full Monty."

Directed by Malick, "The Thin Red Line" received mostly glowing reviews for its poetic, visually stunning story of the battle of Guadalcanal. The film features a cast with stars such as Nick Nolte and Sean Penn in supporting roles, and cameos by John Travolta, George Clooney and Woody Harrison. Getting the most screen time are relative unknowns Jim Caviezel and Ben Chaplin.

Some critics found its plot convoluted, the characters underdeveloped and the voiceovers confusing. The movie also ran more than three hours.

After it was nominated for picture, director, screenplay, editing, sound, score and cinematography, the film lost just 2.4 percent of its business while also losing 345 screens. Then came the bad news last weekend.

"It's fascinating that this film has just died," said Robert Bucksaum.

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School Menus

Week of March 10-12

Granite City
Public Schools

WEDNESDAY, March 10:
Breakfast: Cereal, toast and jelly, banana, milk; Lunch: Grilled chicken patty on bun with lettuce and tomato and skroodle noodle, green beans, strawberry Jell-o with pears, milk.

THURSDAY, March 11:
Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, orange juice, milk; Lunch: Chili and crackers with peanut butter sandwich and fresh celery and carrot sticks, mixed

fruit, milk.

FRIDAY, March 12: No School, Teacher's Institute.

Madison

Public Schools

WEDNESDAY, March 10:
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, milk; Lunch: Pork roast, bread stuffing, peas and carrots, cranberry sauce, bread, milk.

THURSDAY, March 11:
Breakfast: Eggs, toast, milk; Lunch: Hot ham and cheese on a hoagie bun, baked beans, peaches, milk.

FRIDAY, March 12 — No School, Teacher's Institute.

St. Elizabeth
School

WEDNESDAY, March 10:
Lunch: Chef salad with chicken, garlic bread, fruit and cake, milk.

THURSDAY, March 11:
Lunch: Ham and cheese quesadillas, carrots, spiced apples, garlic bread, cookie, milk.

FRIDAY, March 12: No School, Teacher's Institute.

St. Elizabeth organization holds meeting

St. Elizabeth Parish Ladies Sodality held its first meeting of the new year on Jan. 26 in the school cafeteria, with the new president, Maggie Groboski, presiding. A total of 44 members attended.

New officers for the year were introduced. They are: Jan Polach, vice-president; Mary Evalyne Yenko, secretary; and Marilyn Hahn, treasurer.

President Groboski also announced her chairs for the coming year. They are: Church Women United, Dolores Moseley; church cleaning, Virginia Metzger; youth group and funeral meals, Jan Polach and Mary Carich; kitchen supplies, Kathy Lickenbrock; membership, Lucille Friedrich; nursing home angels, Jan Polach and Ida Grager; nursing home Christmas party, Jan Polach and Carmen Schwartz; scholarship, Joyce

Alexander; school liaison, Cindy Whitt; telephone, Kathy Mangi; Turkey Dinner and Bazaar, Nancy Norris.

The calendar of events for the coming year include the St. Elizabeth Catholic Church blood drive; the Palm Sunday sale on March 27 and 28; the parish appreciation dinner on April 24; the ladies communion breakfast on May 2; the annual fall trip, date to be announced; and the Turkey Dinner and Bazaar on Nov. 14.

Minutes were read by the secretary, Mary Evalyne Yenko, and the treasurer's report was given by Marilyn Hahn. Jan Polach reported this is the fourth year for the nursing home angel program, and names were taken for those wishing to be angels this year.

Beulah Gauen will be Guilt-of-the-Month chairperson this year. Cleo

Schnefke reported that thus far, 25 alphas have been donated to the "Warm Up America" Project. The ladies were asked to donate cakes for the Men's Club fish fries.

It was agreed the members would participate in the Tri-Cities Area Christmas in April project to serve breakfast and lunch to the volunteers on April 24.

Guest Speaker Annabell Patton, fro Church Women United, gave a brief history of the layette program, and members donated money and baby items to the Layette Shower held a the meeting.

Prizes awarded included: Attendance, Mary Evalyne Yenko; Pot-of-Gold, Loria Heintz; and Quilt-of-the-Month, Leonard Zotti. Refreshments were served by Lucille Frederick, Beulah Gauen, Nancy Norris and Barbara Ridenhower.

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TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH Adventure Club, an after school activity for grades 4-6, meets 3:30 to 5 p.m. Tuesdays at the church, 1900 Harris St. For more information, call 452-0273.

Community

MITCHELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 2 regular monthly board meeting is 7 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month, at 5123 Maryville Road, 931-6521.

MADISON COMMUNITY ACTION GROUP meets at 7 p.m. every Wednesday. For more information call Dan at 452-2535 or Diane at 876-1360.

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Health/Exercise

TOPS 2383, 6:30 p.m. every Thursday at Anchorage Recreation Center, 2909 Edwards St. For more information call Bobbie at 452-0273.

FREE SENIOR CITIZEN EXERCISE CLASS, 9 a.m. every Thursday, Anchorage Recreation Center, 2909 Edwards.

TOPS 2048 (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 6 p.m. every Monday, Second Baptist Church, 2100 Illinois Ave. in Granite City. Call 876-2124.

TOPS IL 645, 7 p.m. every Monday, Anchorage Recreation Center, 2909 Edwards St., Granite City, 452-0102. Men and women welcome.

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Organizations

THE KOREAN WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION meets next at 7 p.m. Monday March 8 at the Swansea Improvement Association Building, 301 Service St., Swansea. Anyone who served in Korea from 1945 to the present or anywhere during the Korean War era (June 1950 to January 1955) is eligible to join. Meetings are held the second Monday of every month.

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CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP of Centre Christian Church meets at 1 p.m. the first Thursday of each month. For more information, call Helen Stumpe at 837-2098.

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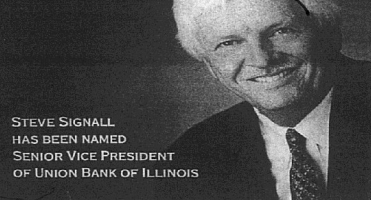
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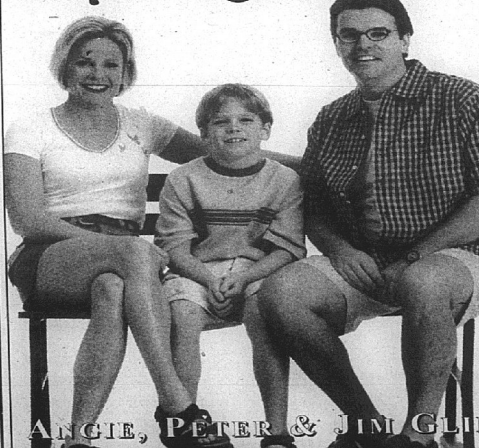
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News

Niedringhaus Seniors Unlimited holds meeting

Seniors Unlimited of Niedringhaus United Methodist Church met at Wesley Hall of the church.

The meeting opened with Arnold Mason giving a devotion entitled "Courage." Mason also offered prayer before a meal of pizzaburgers,

chips and cherry pie in honor of George Washington's birthday.

Entertainment was an old-fashioned hymn song, led by Warren Collins. Club Director Del Groothuis announced that the group would be taking a trip to

Branson, Mo. in March. He also announced the general meeting would be held March 31.

Christy Pursell, director of the Good Samaritan House, will be the speaker at the meeting. She will be explaining what they are doing.

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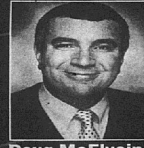
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THE JOLLY QUILTERS, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., every Thursday at the Social Center, 906 Thorngate Drive in Mitchell.

GRANITE CITY COMMUNITY BAND rehearsals, 7:30 to 9 p.m. every Thursday, St. John United Church of Christ, 2901 Nameoki Road, Granite City, 931-0443.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (NARFE) meets at 11:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of each month at Charlie's restaurant. Lunch starts at 11:30, meeting afterwards. For information or reservations, call 452-3266 or 452-3344.

BAND PARENTS ASSOCIATION OF GRANITE CITY HIGH SCHOOL, meets at 7 p.m. second Tuesday of each month at 3101 Madison Ave., 451-5808.

BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS, Granite City Lodge 1063, meets at 8 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month at the lodge on Maryville Road, Granite City, 931-3557.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, 3RD DEGREE meets at 7:30 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month, 4225 Old Alton Road, 877-4250.

GRANITE CITY KIWANIS CLUB meet at 7:30 a.m. every Tuesday at Shoney's.

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Protect your food when power goes out

You never know when the power or water supply will be interrupted.

Sometimes the interruption is a minor inconvenience of a few minutes to several hours. However, when it lasts for more than a day, special measures must be taken to ensure that the refrigerated and frozen foods remain safe.

As long as power is interrupted, it is important to keep the refrigerator and freezer doors closed as much as possible. Food in most full, free-standing freezers will be safe for about two days, and half-full freezers for about one day.

If your freezer is not full, group packages together so they form an "igloo," protecting each other.

If the power is out for more than two days, it will be necessary to move the food to another working freezer or use dry ice to keep the food frozen. Twenty-five pounds of dry ice should hold a 10-cubic-foot full freezer two to four days. Covering the freezer with blankets, quilts or crumpled newspaper also will aid in keeping cold air inside. Once food has started to thaw, you will have to evaluate each item separately to see what can safely be kept.

As a general rule, it is safe to re-freeze foods that still contain ice crystals. Raw meats and poultry can safely be refrozen if ice crystals are present. Prepared foods, vegetables and fruits normally can be refrozen, but there may be some loss in quality. Ice cream is one of the first foods to thaw and should not be refrozen.

The University of Illinois Extension Service has a fact sheet titled "Safe Food Handling During Power Outages" that includes two charts to help you evaluate frozen and refrigerated foods during a power outage.

This is an excellent fact sheet that should be taped to the side of your freezer or refrigerator so you know what to do when a power outage occurs.

For a free copy, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Madison-St. Clair Extension Unit Office, 200 Hillsboro, P.O. Box 427, Edwardsville, Ill., 62025.

8761422 for more information. **EAGLE PARK ACRE SENIORS OF MADISON** meet from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday at 100 Hill St. (rear), Eagle Park Acres, Madison. **FRIDAY AFTERNOON PINOCCHIO CLUB** for seniors 55 and over meets at 12:30 p.m. every Friday at the Harold Brown Building, Franklin Avenue and Pontoon Road. Call 877-0350 for more information.

TRIPLE LODGE 835 A.F. and A.M. meets at 7 p.m. the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Masonic Temple, 1940 Cleveland Blvd. in Granite City.

Seniors

PONTON BEACH SENIOR CITIZENS BINGO, 11:30 a.m. every Wednesday, 3910 Highway 111, Pontoon Beach.

EAGLE PARK ACRE SENIORS OF MADISON meet from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday at 100 Hill St. (rear), Eagle Park Acres, Madison.

FREE SENIOR CITIZEN EXERCISE CLASS meets at 9 a.m., every Thursday, Anchorage Recreation Center, 2909 Edwards.

GREATER BENEFICIAL UNION OF PITTSBURGH, District 491, Granite City Council, meets at 8 p.m. the first Friday of each month, at Third Baptist Church, 26th Street and Grand Avenue in Granite City. James P. Reagan, president, can be reached at 263-7296, and Mary Solomon, secretary, can be reached at 451-8201.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP of Central Christian Church meets at 1 p.m. the first Thursday of each month. For more information, call

Helen Stumpe at 931-2098.

Support Groups

THE CHURCH OUTREACH INC. meets 7 to 9 p.m. every Wednesday night at True Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church, 1641 3rd St. in Madison. **THE CHURCH** is an outreach program designed to support its community in the struggle with urge control. All meetings are confidential. For more information, call 877-TRUE.

PARENTS ANONYMOUS GROUP meets 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., first and third Thursday of each month. For information on where meeting will be held, call Elaine Searcy at 462-2714 or Lyle Cubberly at 876-2352.

RIVERS OF WATER WORSHIP CENTER SUPPORT GROUP, meets 9:30 to 11 a.m. the first and third Saturday of each month at 1307 Madison Ave., Madison, to comfort and restore. Group membership is open to all who are "broken" — at no cost. Worship service will follow each third Saturday at 11:30 a.m. 876-7831.

PULMONARY SUPPORT GROUP, for persons with diagnosed lung condition, 11 a.m. to noon every Wednesday in 4-Doctors Solarium, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 790-3919.

ALANON, 9:30 a.m. every Monday, 2116 Edison (side door) in Granite City. Call 463-2429.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. every Wednesday, 2116 Edison, Granite City, (800) 367-6500.

ALANON ADULT CHILDREN meets at 7 p.m. every Wednesday at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave., in the Kettler Center Conference Room A. Call 463-2429 for more information.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m. every Wednesday, St. Elizabeth School's Noah's Ark Day Care, Pontoon Road, Granite City. The meetings are closed except for the last Wednesday of the month.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. every Thursday, and noon and 8 p.m. every Friday at 2116 Edison, Granite City, (800) 367-6500.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m., every Thursday, Presbyterian Church, Mitchell, (800) 307-6600.

ALANON, 7 p.m. every Thursday, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave., in the Kettler Center Day Care room C. Call 463-2429.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m. every Saturday and 1:30 and 8 p.m. every Sunday at 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, (800) 367-6500.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m. every Sunday, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Pascal Hall, main floor, Granite City, (800) 367-6500.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, Seeking recovery, 8 p.m. every Thursday, 2016 Delmar Ave., 24-hour hot-line 398-9409.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, Acceptance, 8 p.m. every Saturday, 2016 Delmar Ave., 24-hour hot-line 398-9409.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, Live the Steps, 8 p.m. every Sunday, 2016 Delmar Ave., 24-hour hot-line 398-9409.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS open meetings are held at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave., on the following days and times: 8 p.m. Sundays in Pascal Hall; 8 p.m. Tuesdays in the Kettler Center, Room A; 8 p.m. Thursdays, 8 p.m. Fridays in the Kettler Center; and 8 p.m. Saturdays in Pascal Hall. For more information, call the 24-hour

hot-line, 398-9409.

BETTER BREATHERS, support group of those with chronic lung condition, 1 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month Pascal Hall, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 790-3118.

MASTECTOMY SUPPORT GROUP, 7 to 9 p.m., Pascal Hall, main floor, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, second Tuesday of each month, 790-3510.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS (women only), 8 p.m., every Tuesday, Presbyterian Church, Mitchell, (800) 307-6600.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, Path to Recovery, 8 p.m. every Tuesday, 2016 Delmar Ave.

THE CIRCLE OF HOPE, a 12-step healing program for anyone whose life is affected by HIV infection meets at 7 p.m. every Tuesday at the King's House on North 86th Street in Belleville. For more information, call 234-0291.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, Path to Recovery, 8 p.m. every Tuesday, 2016 Delmar Ave.

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Where Beautiful Things Begin

Last Sunday's column dealt with soil and its characteristics. Since most soil contains too much sand or clay, it needs to be improved. And here's exactly how to do it.

You've probably heard the term "pH" numerous times. It pops up frequently when talk covers swimming pools, shampoo, etc. It also belongs here, in a discussion of soil. The pH is a numerical value between 0 and 14 that describes the acidity or alkalinity of something. And whether that something is pool water or soil, the numbers mean the same.

A reading of 7.0 is neutral, anything below that is acidic and anything above it is alkaline. Some people refer to alkaline soil as "sweet" soil.

Most of the nutrients that reside in soil are available to plants when the soil's pH is between 6.0 and 7.0. And not surprisingly, most plants grow best in that pH range. Some plants prefer soil slightly higher or lower, but this is a good general range.

You can test your soil easily with a do-it-yourself test kit, available at any Frank's store. Included with the kit is information as to the types of products available to adjust the pH. Here's how to adjust the soil in the likely event it'll need it.

If you need to raise the pH, limestone (calcium carbonate) or dolomitic lime will do the trick. Limestone is available in three forms: pulverized, pelletized and granular. Pulverized lime is the fastest-acting, and can change the soil in a few weeks. That's fast. Pool owners may not think so; they can change their water's pH in a matter of hours, but it doesn't work that way with soil.

Pulverized lime is very fine, almost like talcum powder. It must be applied on a calm day or it will blow all over the place. Pelletized lime is actually beads of pulverized lime, and it acts almost as fast.

It's easier to apply, since a moderate breeze won't send it everywhere. Granular is the most coarse of all, and it's slow acting. It can take months to change the soil pH. Here's the good part. Its effects last longer than those of pulverized or pelletized lime.

Whatever type you wish to use, apply it with a spreader, following the directions on the package. Work it into the soil before planting. On an existing lawn, apply it as you would any fertilizer. Work it into the soil by lightly raking and/or watering.

If your soil's pH is too high, lowering it is done by incorporating organic matter such as peat moss into it. The effects of organic matter last longer than those of plant foods and sulfur compounds.

Here are a few tips on working with soil.

- Don't work with soil that is too wet. This can destroy the soil structure and compact pore spaces, damaging soil drainage.
- Don't overwork it. The soil, that is. Too much digging, tilling and spading breaks apart the particles and newly-formed clumps.
- Avoid compacting the soil, which will decrease pore space. Above all, don't park heavy equipment on lawns.
- Make soil improvements before planting. The materials added to the soil are easier to apply and more effective when worked into the soil beforehand.

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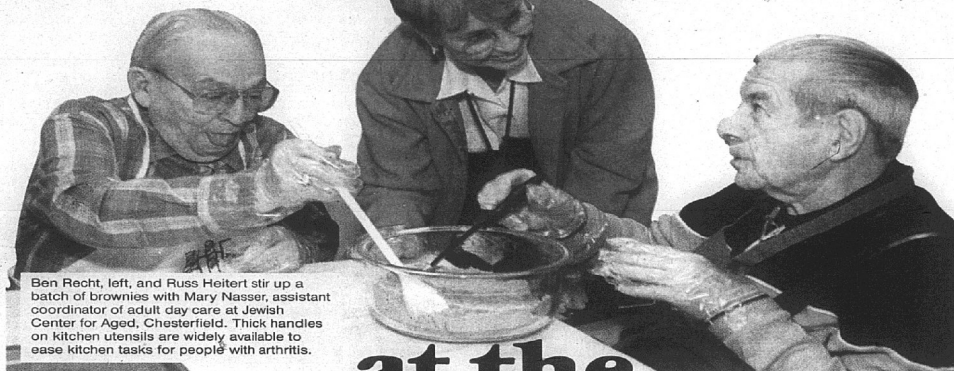
Today's Food



Heart-y Bites
Fish bring sunny dreams

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Home



Ben Recht, left, and Russ Heitert stir up a batch of brownies with Mary Nasser, assistant coordinator of adult day care at Jewish Center for Aged, Chesterfield. Thick handles on kitchen utensils are widely available to ease kitchen tasks for people with arthritis.

Don Black photos

at the Range

Disabilities cause new kitchen order



Long-handled tongs allow Esther Kneznokoff access to bowls and boxes on higher shelves in the kitchen.

By Janice Denham
Staff writer

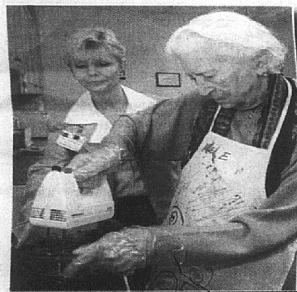
Heating a cup of tea or pouring a glass of juice, much less making an entire meal, can be a courageous project for a person who has crippling arthritis or is recovering from a broken bone or a slight stroke. Yet, independence is the goal that prods a person to find a way to do it.

Accomplishing it effectively and safely is the goal of a team at Jewish Center for Aged, where a new "homeward bound" kitchen was installed to jog memories and teach people how to manage tasks at home. It also is used by residents with staff supervision.

"The kitchen is where everyone, even the men, want to be," says Kendall Brune, administrator of the center. "It's almost like they're kids again."

Practice does not always make perfect, but it does build confidence. Occupational therapist Suzanne Dinkel says, "The overriding goal is the best motivator when they hear the words, 'If you are able to go home.'"

The process starts at the beginning. The kitchen, a donation of Selma Seldin in honor of her husband Herman, has adaptive equipment that can be duplicated



Ella Sibbald uses an electric mixer under the watchful eyes of Judy Pontello, coordinator of adult day care at Jewish Center for Aged. A piece of foam rubber holds the bowl in place on the counter.

at home, but is furnished like most kitchens with stock cabinets and appliances.

"People have to learn to be accepting of their limitations. They start by planning the dinner, then the groceries. We go through the sequence before and after we step back and let them do the meal. We

See DISABILITIES Inside TODAY'S FOOD Page 2

Food & Nutrition

Wise Ways

Irradiation now can be another step to take in keeping red meat safe.

Blue Ribbon Cook

Add winning Colcannon to menu for St. Patrick's Day.

Test Run

Concoct mashed potatoes and gravy instantly from a package.

Micro Raves

Meatless meals with low-fat protein put people in the "zone."

Lively Taste

Try chicken with cabbage. Spread 2 teaspoons Dijon mustard over 1 pound skinless, boneless chicken breast, cut in pieces. In heavy skillet, cook chicken in 1 tablespoon hot oil about 3 minutes just to brown. Quarter and core 1 medium head cabbage. Add to chicken. Sprinkle with 1/2 teaspoon caraway seed. Add 1 cup chicken broth. Cook, covered, about 45 minutes until cabbage is tender.

Health & Fitness

Medicine Chest

Research from the British Medical Journal shows women with a history of migraine headaches have greater risk of suffering from an ischemic stroke than women of the same age without a history of migraines. The researchers strongly recommend women who have migraines should avoid smoking and have their blood pressure carefully monitored and controlled.

Fresh Picks

Unlike potatoes for the Irish, kiwifruit did not save anyone from starving. Still, it is green and ready to add color to a table. Usually firm, it should be allowed to ripen before being used. Store it uncovered and out of the sun at room temperature. It is ripe when it yields to gentle pressure. It then can be stored in a refrigerator up to a week. Its fuzzy, nutritious brown peel is edible, but usually is peeled to reveal its attractive green color. Heating kiwifruit turns the flesh olive green. For salad, toss together 4 kiwifruit, peeled and cut in eighths; 2 navel oranges and 1 pink grapefruit, both peeled and sectioned, and fresh strawberries. Serve on leafy greens with poppy seed dressing.

Big Fat Tip

Set the scene for a Thai turkey sandwich. In a small bowl, combine 1/3 cup orange marmalade, 3 tablespoons chopped green onion, 1 teaspoon soy sauce, 1/8 teaspoon cayenne pepper and 1/2 teaspoon minced ginger root. Spread on 6 English muffins, halved and toasted. Arrange 1 or 2 thin slices turkey breast over spread. Spoon a mixture of 2/3 cup plain yogurt, 2 tablespoons creamy peanut butter, 1/2 teaspoon sesame oil, 1/3 cup orange marmalade and 1/2 teaspoon minced ginger root on top. Garnish with red bell pepper strips, thin strips of cucumber and chopped green onion.

Future Shop

"Take a Fresh Look..." is the slogan of National Nutrition Month during March. According to its sponsor, the American Dietetic Association, it focuses on what to eat, not what not to eat. Those who look at the negatives miss much of what healthy eating offers. A key to loading a pantry with healthful foods is to add quick-fix, flavorful items like pasta, rice, pasta sauce, salsa, canned beans and a variety of vinegars, herbs and other flavorings to use instead of fatty foods. A misconception about healthy eating is that fresh foods are too much trouble to prepare, when in fact, they usually come ready to eat. The ADA suggests trying something new. Try brown rice for high-fiber grain, add jicama to veggies on a tray with dip and sprinkle dried basil instead of salt on the next serving of a cooked vegetable.

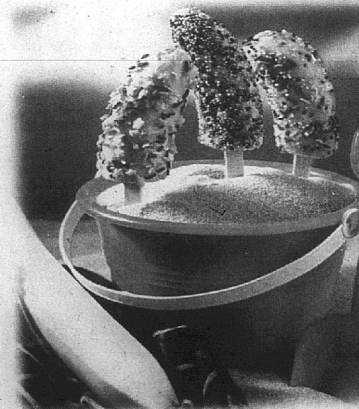
BANANA TOT POPS

Make believe it's time for the pool or beach. Have a luscious snack frozen with a glitzy edge of sprinkles.

- 3 firm medium-size bananas
- 6 large wooden sticks
- 1/2 cup raspberry or other flavored yogurt
- 1 jar (1.75 oz.) chocolate or rainbow sprinkles

Cut each banana crosswise in half. Insert wooden stick into each half. Pour yogurt into small bowl. Holding banana pop over bowl, spoon yogurt to cover all edges of banana. Let excess yogurt drip into bowl. Sprinkle candies over yogurt. Place pops on tray lined with waxed paper. Freeze 2 hours. Makes 6 pops; 114 calories, 2 g fat, 1 mg cholesterol, 16 mg sodium, 23 g carbohydrate and 2 g protein each.

Kids' Cuisine



Today's Food

Mashed potato, gravy mixes prove extra-easy

"Easy" was the single word used repeatedly after packages of Hungry Jack and Betty Crocker mashed potatoes and gravy were tested.

The Hungry Jack product, priced at \$1.69 at Shop

TEST RUN

Save for potatoes to flakes

aged with either brown or chicken gravy, was expected to make 7 servings. Betty Crocker mashed potatoes and gravy with roasted chicken flavor cost \$1.29, with two packets of dried potatoes and two packets of dried gravy mix, each designed to make 4 servings.

All products received high ratings in flavor and particularly convenience.

The meal with the Betty Crocker potatoes and gravy took about 15 minutes.

"I served them with a lemon-flavored chicken baked by the supermarket, a salad and bread. Even the salad was a prepackaged mixture, so this dinner was a breeze. It took about 10 to 15 minutes to boil water, mix up potatoes, allow them to sit,

then stir gravy. That's about how long it took to make the whole dinner," the tester said.

The gravy had an attractive chicken flavor and went well with the baked chicken. It tasted "more like chicken than salt," an attribute in her testing.

She and her husband thought having the gravy with the potatoes was the real convenience.

"The potatoes were firm, but not stiff, and the gravy was delicious — just salty enough. It was rich and creamy. We both thought the potatoes wouldn't be half as impressive, were it not for the gravy though," she said.

The potatoes' smoothness, they thought, gives away any secret that they are not homemade. She added they were "pretty tasty and full-bodied," in spite of not having lumps.

The convenience of the Hungry Jack mashed potatoes with brown gravy also impressed the family that tried them.

"I'd rather have the real thing, but on those occasions where you don't have time to fix real mashed



Two brands of instant mashed potatoes packaged with gravy mix proved a handy product for tester.

potatoes, these would be very handy to have on the shelf," the mom who made them said.

Having the gravy in the box was an added value for this busy family that always eats mashed fresh potatoes and usually adds packaged gravy.

She called the gravy flavor "robust," rather than meaty, slightly saltier than she preferred but not objectionable. Mashed

had plenty leftover for another meal, which brought out more of the chicken flavor," she said.

She noted the color of both products were true to what she expected, although she would add less water to the gravy the next time to see if it would be thicker. She made the potatoes with nonfat butter

on hand for future use.

The tester of the Betty Crocker potatoes and gravy said, "I liked the convenience of having it pre-measured for two separate dinners. It seems a little frivolous to my conservative nature to have that much packaging, but it sure did make it easy."

The Betty Crocker pack-

"I'd rather have the real thing, but on those occasions where you don't have time to fix real mashed potatoes, these would be very handy to have on the shelf."

substitute and found it created a tasty mixture.

Like the tester of the Betty Crocker product, she found it did not make as many servings as the package suggested.

"Probably for most of us mashed potatoes and gravy are a luxury these days, so I think adults take a hearty serving. However, I found the amount of gravy was proportional or even generous compared to the amount of potatoes, so I consider it an asset that the combination came out even," she said.

Each tester was willing to buy the product to keep

age includes directions for Creamed Chicken and Vegetables, which uses the product with cooked chicken and frozen vegetables for a meal that would take just a few extra minutes to prepare.

The boxes of Hungry Jack potatoes and gravy include recipes for Savory Baked Chicken and Home-style Meatloaf. One taster noted the recipes sounded delicious with few ingredients, but seemed incongruous because each would take about an hour to cook, compared to the product, attractive for its quick convenience.

Take over dreamy beach with tuna for all seasons

Tricia Kreuter
Correspondent

Serving fish in winter months creates an illusion of sandy beaches and warm weather, plus light, healthy meals.

Besides tasting good, fish is low in fat and rich in protein. The American Heart Association

recommends people eat a variety of foods, including up to 6 cooked ounces per day of lean meat, fish and skinless poultry.

Fish is an excellent low-fat choice. All fresh and frozen fish are healthful options. The leanest varieties include cod, haddock, halibut, flounder, sole, red snapper and orange roughy.

Fish is also a rich source of vitamin B12 and omega-3 fatty acids, which may aid in preventing heart disease. Omega-3 fatty acids may help lower the level of triglycerides, one type of blood fat.

The richest fish sources of omega-3 fatty acids are salmon, albacore tuna, mackerel, carp, lake whitefish, sweet smelt, and

lake and brook trout.

Fresh tuna is delicious, far from the taste of canned varieties. This version, decked with fruity salsa that holds a savory bite, tempts the palate and elicits a taste for warmer days. If it is too cold for outdoor grilling, the fish can be grilled on an indoor, range-top grill or broiled in the oven.

Fresh cilantro, also called Mexican parsley, is part of the salsa for a variety of uses. Parsley, is used generously in salsa and can be found as a garnish sprinkled on Mexican dishes.

Leftover cilantro can be stored in the refrigerator to keep handy for a variety of uses. Rinsed and almost dry it, then pack between paper towels in a paper bag, or submerge the stems in water like a bouquet.

Cilantro should not be limited to Mexican dishes. It adds a sultry flavor to any dish and makes an attractive, tasteful garnish.

Add 2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro to a favorite low-fat meatloaf recipe, add it as a topping to homemade soup or

mix it with fresh tomatoes, peppers and lettuce to serve with low-fat cheese and a flour tortilla.

Registered dietitian Tricia Kreuter is a staff member of the American Heart Association, Greater St. Louis Division.

GETAWAY TUNA

1 lb. tuna, cut in 4 serving pieces
1 tsp. grated lime zest
2 tbsp. fresh lime juice (1 to 2 medium limes)
2 tbsp. fresh orange juice
1 tbsp. snipped fresh cilantro
1 tsp. oil
1/4 tsp. salt
1/8 tsp. pepper
Pineapple-Nectarine Salsa

In resealable plastic bag, combine lime zest and juice, orange juice, cilantro, oil, salt and pepper. Add tuna. Turn bag to coat fish. Seal bag. Refrigerate 15 minutes to 1 hour, turning bag occasionally.

Preheat grill or broiler to medium-high heat.

Grill fish 5 to 7 minutes on each side until fish is cooked through and flakes easily when tested with fork.

To serve, place fish on individual serving plates. Top with Pineapple-Nectarine Salsa.

Pineapple-Nectarine Salsa: In medium bowl, combine 1 medium nectarine, diced (3/4 to 1 cup); 1 can (8 ounces) pineapple tidbits in juice; 1 kiwifruit, peeled and diced; 2 tablespoons diced red onion; 1 tablespoon snipped fresh cilantro, and 1 teaspoon fresh lemon juice. Cover. Refrigerate.

Makes 4 servings; 291 calories, 28 g protein, 20 g carbohydrate, 53 mg cholesterol, 7 g fat, 190 mg sodium and 2 g dietary fiber each.

Look for u-pick farms, farmers' markets, stands

The wind is chilling, but spring and summer produce is getting closer with every ray of the sun. Suburban Journals and its Wise Ways partners, University Extension (University of Missouri system) and University of Illinois Extension, are compiling a list of farmers' markets, roadside stands and u-pick farms in the Journal readership area.

Information is due April 1. It should include name and address of the market or farm, phone number, directions to the site, approximate dates open and available items, both produce and specialty items. A contact person for verification should be included.

Fax the information to westnews@primary.net or mail to: Market List, Food Editor, Suburban Journals, 1714 Deer Tracks Trail, St. Louis, Mo. 63131.

Rehabilitation

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work on safety. We also check their energy level after the task," Dinkel says.

Michele Roberts, certified occupational therapy assistant, says they learn energy conservation, but cooking and doing laundry can improve their endurance.

The difficulty of adjusting to a lower level of energy, a weakened side or hand, compromised vision or slower thought processes is emotional, as well as physical.

Judy Pontello, coordinator of adult day care, says, "We can't see them wasting away. With reinforcement, the ideas of how they cared for things, including using the washer and dryer, come back to them."

That reinforcement is used in whatever activity is needed, from turning off the stove to measuring soap for the washer. Older people probably never loaded a dishwasher before they use this kitchen.

A source outside the immediate family may be more successful than caretakers in coaxing success from a person facing a handicap.

"I have gotten lots of compliments from the caretakers because the people in the EveryDay Counts (day services) program are doing more for themselves than some because they spend time in the kitchen here," Pontello says.

Sometimes a person outside the family also is a better judge of what a person's potential is — both from the vantage of the person and the caregiver.

"It is enlightening as to what the care-

givers are doing for them. We all get lost in what we are doing. The spouse or child may not think the person they are caring for can do it and doesn't give them an opportunity to try," she says.

Once throw rugs are removed to avoid falls, many simple procedures make a kitchen more practical.

Coffee cups can be used on a lower shelf. A chair can be used for support and to relieve a tiring motion. Frequently used products can be moved to more convenient locations in pantries, on shelves and in the refrigerator. A roll-around cart keeps tools nearby to avoid duplicating steps.

Eating and cooking utensils with thickly padded handles — including long-handled spoons, spatulas, peelers and forks — are inexpensive and easy-to-find aids. Other equipment can be bought or padded with non-skid foam. Rechargeable can openers and other household equipment eliminate hard gripping for hands and dragging electrical cords.

Eliminating the tendency of small appliances and equipment to slide away from the user is possible, too. Non-skid mats fit under bowls — or a handy person can hold the bowl. Different jar openers offer a variety of ways to ease the task. Carousels can be placed in or on cabinets for items most likely to be used. Fat-free knobs make gripping easier. When that does not work, handles can replace knobs.

Food entices people with a variety of handicaps. Patients with Alzheimer's also use the kitchen. Ken Boles, Eden

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Lorraine Anthony
rehabilitation director
Jewish Center for Aged

Lifestyles coordinator, encourages opportunities with these patients, from using the kitchen to going out to eat.

In the kitchen they are involved in making all kinds of foods — soups, blintzes, brownies and cookies. It stimulates them, adds variety to their lives and encourages them to eat.

"We do a lot of eating. We always take the food back to the unit for those who can't come. The smells are familiar to them. Because their short-term memory is gone, familiar food aromas trigger their long-term memory," he says.

Boles cites the benefit for one of his "regulars," the former owner of a restaurant, who enjoys all the food activities.

Pontello adds, "It promotes independence among all the people. It is memory-making time. Often, medication causes them to lose their ability to taste, so a food like vegetable soup takes a team effort to make and has a variety of experiences for them."

A person whose life has been upended with a disability may be bitter and resentful until some form of control or normalcy is found. She recounts one for-

mer patient who came five days a week to the day care program and wouldn't participate. Once she found ways to cope and be useful, she graduated out of the facility and now actively volunteers in the program.

Lorraine Anthony, rehabilitation director at Jewish Center for Aged, says a kitchen can be adapted for use by a person with many types of disability, including one who can use only one hand.

Cutting boards are available with a spike that secures foods, like a potato, for cutting. They have an edge to hold food as it is chopped. A rocker knife makes cutting easier, too. A sink without a cabinet under it can become useful to a person in a wheelchair.

"A home has symbolic meaning for a person. A big challenge is to help people be willing to change it to make it accessible," she says.

Anthony recommends people who are challenged in the kitchen ask their doctor for a referral to an occupational therapist to make the best use of their assets and liabilities.

"An occupational therapist is an expert in knowing how to set up and use the many types of equipment available," she says.

For ideas in what assistive technology is available, the web site www.infinitc.org is sponsored by the United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Chicago and United Cerebral Palsy Associations Inc., in Washington, D.C. It includes access to other sites with helpful devices for cooks with disabilities.

SALMON WITH LEMON-GINGER BUTTER

In small saucepan, heat together 3 tablespoons butter

or margarine, 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice, 2 tablespoons soy sauce and 2 tablespoons chopped ginger root until butter is melted. Place 2 salmon steaks in baking dish. Pour lemon-ginger butter on top.

Bake in preheated 450° oven about 10 minutes per inch thickness of salmon until it flakes.

Note: Use lemon-ginger butter on any type of fish or fowl.

Another process to keep food safe gets approval

In the aftermath of large hamburger recalls, food producers now look to irradiation as a means of keeping their meat safe.

scared people. However, with an understanding of the process, 80 percent of consumers surveyed by Grocery Manufacturers of America and the Food Marketing Institute say they would likely purchase a food product for themselves or their children if it was labeled "irradiated to kill harmful bacteria."

Some consumers and activist groups feel meat processors who use irradiation are apt to become lax in their own sanitation.

This argument was used when milk first was pasteurized, too.

Pasteurization uses heat, rather than energy, to inactivate certain bacteria before dairy products come to consumers.

Instead of dairies becoming dirtier, just the opposite happened. Milk

processors became more sanitary.

In this day and age, meat producers and processors that want to stay in business must have a safe, high-quality product. If they become sloppy, they won't be in business long.

A prime advantage of irradiating meat is that it stays fresh longer in the refrigerator. However, it is still just one step in the process of keeping food safe.

Even if hamburger and other red meats are irradiated, proper food handling and preparation at home still must be followed. This includes washing hands before handling raw meat.

For more information on irradiation and food safety on the Internet, website www.foodsafety.iastate.edu includes a glossary of food irradiation terms, animation of a typical irradiation procedure and the history of food irradiation.

Certified consumer and family scientist Carol Schlitt is nutrition and wellness educator at the Edwardsville Extension Center for University of Illinois Extension.

By Carol Schlitt Correspondent

Outbreaks of food-borne illness and resulting media focus on contaminated food have increased consumer interest in food irradiation. Just last month the U.S. Department of Agriculture approved use of irradiation of red meat as a protection against harmful bacteria, like E. coli.

Over the past 35 years, irradiation has been used for a variety of food products — including grains, spices, herbs and teas — to control insects and to inhibit sprouting of root vegetables. The National Aeronautical and Space Administration has used it since the late 1960s to protect and retard spoilage of foods on space flights.

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Americans have been hesitant about irradiation up to now. Irradiation sounds like a relative of the word "radiation" and that

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- 1 pkg. (9 oz.) uncooked cheese-filled tortellini
- 1 pkg. (10 oz.) frozen tiny peas, thawed, drained
- 1 cup thinly sliced green onion
- 1/2 cup sliced celery
- 1/2 cup chopped red bell pepper
- 1/2 cup light sour cream
- 1/2 cup light mayonnaise
- 1/2 cup chopped mango chutney
- 1/2 tsp. garlic powder
- 1/2 tsp. lemon-pepper seasoning
- 1 1/2 cups (6 oz.) shredded mild cheddar cheese
- Lettuce leaves

Cook tortellini according to package directions. Drain and rinse with cold water.

In large bowl, combine tortellini, peas, green onion, celery and red pepper.

In small bowl, combine sour cream, mayonnaise, chutney, garlic powder and lemon-pepper. Mix well.

Four dressing over tortellini mixture. Toss lightly. Add cheddar cheese. Toss lightly. Chill at least 1 hour before serving.

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Cabbage helps anchor dishes for St. Pat's

Rosemary McVey, St. Louis County, is the winner of this week's recipe contest for Colcannon (Mashed Potatoes with Cabbage), an entry in the Irish Recipe Contest. The prize is dinner certificates from the Pasta House Co.

BLUE RIBBON COOK She thought this was just another recipe for

potatoes years ago in a Florida paper, but her love of potatoes and cabbage and Irish heritage spurred her to try it. It became a standard as her assignment to bring to her son's annual St. Patrick's Day party.

This is a rich version, with both bacon for flavor and cream for creaminess in its ingredients.

Recipes in the Spring Spurge Recipe Contest should be postmarked by March 31. Readers of Today's Food have an opportunity to win one of the four Wednesdays in April.

Spring fruits and vegetables highlight this month's contest. Fresh greens, peas, asparagus, strawberries and rhubarb are among the many possibilities for a recipe that would qualify. It can be cold or hot, gourmet or homey in style.

In addition to sending in a recipe, tell how you actually make it. Any story behind the recipe counts as part of the entry. Along with taste and eye appeal, it forms the basis for selecting winners.

A single household can submit a single recipe. Send it to: Spring Spurge Recipe Contest, Suburban Journals, 1714 Deer Tracks Trail, St. Louis, Mo. 63131. It also can be e-mailed to westnews@primary.net. If possible, name the recipe's source. Include the name of the Journal you receive.

COLCANNON

- 8 slices bacon
- 1 medium head cabbage, chopped
- 1 bunch green onions with tops, chopped
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) butter
- 6 large potatoes, peeled, cut in chunks
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 1/2 cups cream or half-and-half
- Minced fresh parsley

Cook bacon. Remove from pan and break into small pieces.

In same pan, saute cabbage and onion in half the butter. Cook, covered, until cabbage is tender, adding water if necessary to keep moist.

Boil potatoes until tender. Drain. Mash. Pour in cream. Beat until fluffy. Stir in cabbage and onion, then lightly stir in bacon, salt and pepper.

Mound mixture into heated bowl, making well in center. Place remaining butter in center and let it melt. Garnish with fresh parsley.

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1.19

Gallon Always Save Bleach

69¢

Gallon Assorted Varieties Pevely Fruit Drink

69¢

1/2 gallon Assorted Varieties Edy's Ice Cream

2/5.95

18 oz. Smooth or Crunchy Always Save Peanut Butter

1.29

Real Values Produce

Imported Red or White Seedless Grapes 1 lb. **98¢**

16 oz. Ready-To-Use Baby Peeled Carrots 78¢

All Purpose Yellow Onions 3 lb. bag **98¢**

Large California Seedless Navel Oranges 4/\$1

Fresh California Broccoli 1 lb. **78¢**

Orchard Fresh Granny Smith Apples 1 lb. **68¢**

Trim n Tender Boneless Beef Bottom Round Roast 1 lb. **1.38**

Sirloin Tip Roast 1 lb. **1.58**

Cut from Pork Butts Family Pack Pork Steaks or Country Style Ribs 1 lb. **1.28**

Special Purchase! White Supplies Last Alaskan Snow Crab Clusters 1 lb. **3.68**

Trim n Tender Boneless Beef Family Pack Sirloin Tip Steaks 1 lb. **1.68**

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5 lb. Box Holtzen Extra Value Beef Patties 3.98

Lenten Special! Bulk Pack Schooner Fish Sticks or Portions 1 lb. **1.28**

10 lb. Box 10.90

Real Values Meat

10 oz. pkg. Farmland Jumbo Hot Dogs 88¢

12 oz. pkg. Assorted Varieties Farmland Lunchmeats 88¢

16 oz. roll Assorted Varieties Farmland Sausage 88¢

12 oz. pkg. Assorted Varieties Farmland Skinless Sausage Links 88¢

16 oz. pkg. Farmland Bacon 1.68

Real Values Dairy & Frozen

12 inch Assorted Varieties Di Giorno Pizza 2/\$9

12 oz. Assorted Varieties Minute Maid Orange Juice 1.09

8.6 to 11 oz. Assorted Varieties Eggo Waffles 2/\$3

12 oz. Assorted Varieties Dole Frozen Juice 1.19

16 oz. Pears, Cut Corn, Cut Green Beans, Cut Broccoli, Best Choice Frozen Vegetable 79¢

12 pack Pevely Brown Cows 2/\$3

16 oz. Best Choice Deluxe American Cheese 2.39

7.5 oz. Homestyle or Buttermilk Best Choice Biscuits 4/\$1

16 oz. Brummel & Brown Spread 1.29

8 oz. Regular and Lite Sour Cream or Pevely Onion Dip 2/1.19

Real Values Grocery

3 pack Best Choice Hamburger or Hot Dog Buns 1.79

14.7 oz. Best Choice Pevely Pink Salmon 1.69

3 lb. Best Choice Pure Vegetable Shortening 2.09

5 lb. Yellow or Self Rising Always Save Corn Meal 1.09

8 oz. Lawry's Seasoned Salt 99¢

32 oz. Best Choice Long Grain Rice 79¢

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269 ct. Best Choice White Napkins 1.49

32 oz. Regular and Thin Best Choice Spaghetti 99¢

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11 oz. Assorted Delicious Sugar Wafers 99¢

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32 oz. Assorted Varieties Powerade 99¢

21 pack, 12 oz. cans Assorted Varieties Pepsi 5.38

2 liter Assorted Varieties Pepsi 97¢

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12-12 oz. cans Regular and Light Budweiser Beer 7.09

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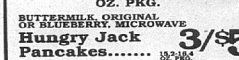
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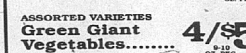
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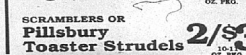
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Green Giant
Pasta Accents..... **2/\$3**
12-12.5 OZ. PKG.



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Vegetables..... **4/\$5**
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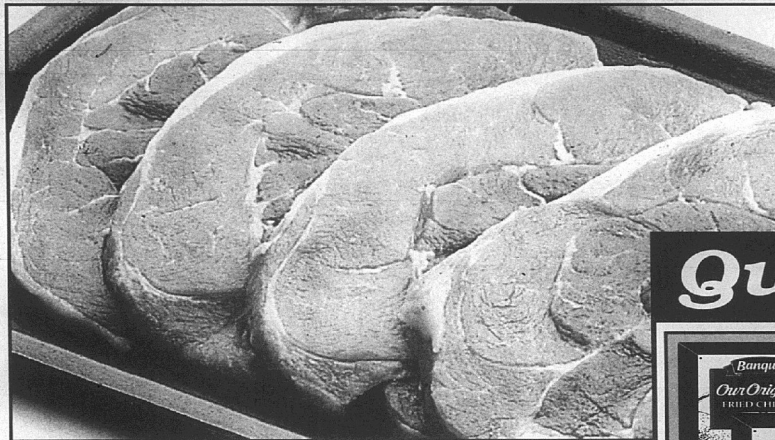
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SOLID, 1.6-OZ. SHEET OR
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Traditional Dinner



FAMILY PACK
Boneless Pork
Sirloin Chops

179
lb.

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Banquet Fried Chicken

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19-25 OZ. PKG.



GOLDEN FRIES, SHOESTRING
POTATOES CRINKLE OR STEAK
Ore-Ida Potatoes

3/\$5
24-32 OZ. PKG.



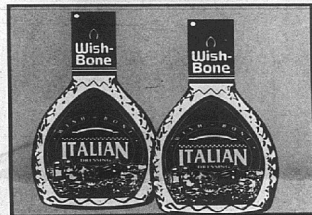
SOFT TACO, BURRITO
OR CHICKEN FAJITA
Taco Bell Dinner Kits

239
15.5-26 OZ. PKG.



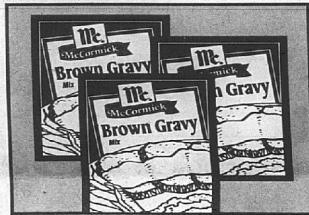
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REFRIED BEANS OR
Taco Bell Seasoning Mix

2/\$1
1.2-OZ. PKG.



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Wishbone Salad Dressing

2/295
16-OZ. BTL.



McCormick Brown Gravy Mix

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Easy Breakfast



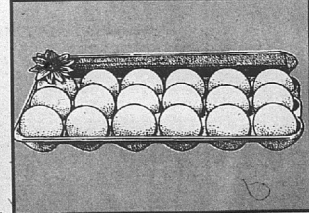
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ASSORTED VARIETIES
Smuckers Jam

2/395
18-OZ. JAR



GRADE "A"
1 1/2 dozen
Medium Eggs

79¢
18-OZ. PKG. LIMIT 2



NACHO, PIZZA, MEXICAN OR ITALIAN
Sargento Shredded Cheese

199
8-OZ. PKG.



MILD OR MEDIUM
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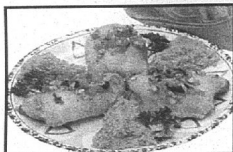
LIMIT 3 WITH ADDITIONAL \$10.00 PURCHASE

87¢
lb.



**USDA CHOICE
CORN FED BEEF
Boneless Sirloin
Tip Roast**

1.89
lb.



**ALL NATURAL, JUMBO PACK
Hudson Chicken
Thighs**

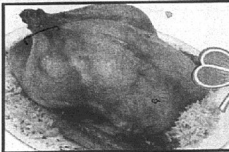
59¢
lb.

**ALL VARIETIES
Hillshire Farms
Smoked Sausage** 1.79

**ASSORTED VARIETIES
Oscar Mayer
Lunchables** 1.39

**ORIGINAL OR HOT
Johnsonville
Pork Sausage** 1.59

**KRISPY
Flanagan
Sauerkraut** 79¢



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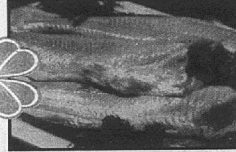
79¢
lb.

**ALL MEAT
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**NUGETTS, PATTIES OR TENDERS
Tyson Boneless
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**ALL VARIETIES
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Bologna** 1.49



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Bacon** 1.79

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WISCONSIN, SLICED
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REGULAR OR SMOKED
Jennie-O
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Lemon
Crumb Pie** 2/\$5



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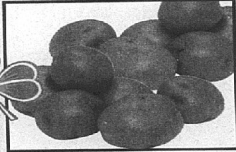
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lb.

**113-CT. SIZE
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**WASHINGTON STATE
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**Fresh Green
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**FRESH, PORTABELLA
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**FRESH
Cilantro** 98¢

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**Dole Classic
Salad Blend**

98¢
1-LB. PKG.

**Mann's Broccoli
& Cauliflower** 1.78

**PEELED
Dole
Baby Carrots** 1.88

**Medium
Yellow Onions** 98¢

**REGULAR OR FAT FREE
MARZETTI'S
Caramel** 2/3.98

Apple Dip 2.39



**12-PACK, SPRITE
Coca Cola Classic
or Diet Coke**

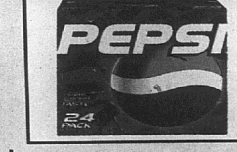
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12-OZ. CANS

**ASSORTED VARIETIES
Red Baron
Pizza** 3/9.99

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OR BLUEBERRY
MICROWAVE
Hungry Jack
Pancakes** 3/\$5

**ASSORTED FLAVORS
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Ice Cream** 3/4.95

**ASSORTED VARIETIES
STUFFED NACHOS OR
Totino's
Pizza Rolls** 5/4.95



**24-CAN CUBE
Pepsi, Diet Pepsi
or Mountain Dew**

5.39
12-OZ. CANS

**ASSORTED FLAVORS
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Ice Cream** 2/6.95

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Sherbet** 1.99

**DOUBLE TOP, OVEN RISING OR
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Pizza** 2/7.50

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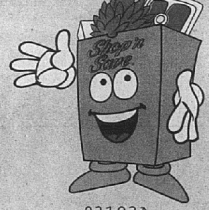
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TRACTOR ACCESSORIES

EQUIPMENT

200 Maxmerge 2 planter
corn & bean seedling, no-tills & n
hyd. fold 12 row 30" cultivat
rotary hoe hyd. fold
1x7 - Brillant 25' Cultmulch
planter w/tiller, boxes
seed 7 1/2" spacing w/single
disc. Kewanee 1020 21" di
hoe 24-1/2" field cultivator, h
BROW

5 1/2" hyd fold Danish tires &
5 1/2" Danish tires & baskets
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cassid plow, pull type, spring sh
cassid plow, pull type - Brady
hydrou applicator w/elec. s
w - Oliver 580 6-14 plow,
OE 2 way radios
cassid wagon on 1270 gear 475 b
cassid wagon on 1072 gear 475 b
ons 225 lb. on JD running ge
auger wagons
er w/5 hp. elec. motor - B
ayer Aca pump & 60" booms
tanks w/12 volt pumps

TRUCKS
330 V-8 engine, 4 sp. trans & 2
6,630 miles
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